

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE  
FOR  
*President Emeritus & Deaconess*  
**HATTIE ODOM BROWN**

SUNRISE  
OCTOBER 20, 1929


SUNSET  
MAY 25, 2025

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025  
3:30 P. M.  
ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
82 EAST CHURCH ST.  
CUTHBERT, GA 39840

REV. DAVID HAMM  
GMBC THIRD DISTRICT PRESIDENT,  
OFFICIATING  
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PASTOR, EULOGIST



# Reflections of Life




*Mrs. Hattie Mae Odom Brown* was born October 20, 1929, the sixth child of Lee B. and Mary Sales Odom, in Randolph County, GA. Her father was a sharecropper. Her mother was a homemaker. She was educated in a country school in the Vilulah Community and at Andrew Methodist School.

At a young age, she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptized at the Vilulah Missionary Baptist Church.

At the age of seventeen, she met, fell in love and married Mr. Fletcher Seay. They lived briefly in Key West, Florida. They had three children: Diane, Fletcher, II and Paul. In search of better employment, Fletcher relocated to Syracuse, NY.


In 1954, Hattie married John Arthur Lawson. To this union, one child was born named Mary, after her maternal grandmother. In 1956, she met Andrew Brown, with marriage occurring some years later. To this union, one child was born – Anthony.



Hattie's work life was extensive. It was said that she could pick 500 pounds of cotton in one day. She worked as a domestic and as a dormitory house Mother at Andrew College. She worked at Joe-Anne Burgin Nursing Home for over 30 years as housekeeping director, Central Supply Manager, and Assistant Activity Director. She retired in 2009.

Hattie loved gardening, both flowers and vegetables. She has hanging baskets, and flowers on the carport, front stoop and the deck and all around the yard. Since she couldn't get out in the yard anymore, she planted tomatoes and green peppers in pots on her carport. She made good hot pepper sauce. Also, nobody made chicken dressing, sweet potato pies or lane and pound cakes like her. And delicious biscuits too!

Hattie joined Antioch Missionary Baptist Church and was a faithful member until her health declined. At Antioch, she was a member of Choir No. 2 and served as Church Secretary for many years. She was vice-president of the Mission Department, as well.







# *A Life Well Lived*

She was also active in the Chattahoochee Missionary Baptist Association and North Side Union Meeting where she began at a young age selling badges, was the Benefit Board secretary and later served as President of the Women's Department.

Hattie attended over ten National Baptist Conventions, Inc., traveling as far away as California. She was also very active in the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc.'s Third District where she served for many years with the Women's Auxiliary as the Western Region Vice-President.

Hattie was also a member of Friendship Chapter #137, Order of the Eastern Star.

Hattie was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, two sons: Fletcher Seay, II and Paul Seay; one niece raised like a sister, Florence Odom; one nephew that was like a son, Charles Odum; five siblings: Willie D. Odom, A. J. Odom; Martha Odom Davis; Zennie O. Snowden; and Joseph (Lenora) Odom.

Hattie leaves to cherish her memory, three children: Diane S. (Dr. Johnnie) Early, II of Tallahassee, FL; Dr. Mary L. Porter and Anthony Seay, both of Cuthbert, GA; 15 grandchildren: Paul (Jenifer) Tookes; Tiffanie Early; Johnnie (Jennifer) Early, III; Toya S. (Valdez) Gant; James (Heidi) Porter; Thalmus (Yovunka) Porter; Fletcher Seay, III; Patrick Seay; Tawana S. (Jesse) Beckom; Pamela Seay; Sheree Davis-Daughterty; Bria Hood; Anthony Seay, Jr.; Simone Seay; Christina Seay; 24 great grandchildren: Erykah, Nadjah, Bryannah, Mark James Porter, Amari, Jamari, Averi Porter, Phoenix Calaway, Leah Seay Davis, Aniya and Asha Seay, Janai and Jada Henry, Fletcher Seay, IV, Nicholas Daugherty, Aaliyah Jenkins, Elijah Covington, Miracle and Jeremiah Seay, Tyshunna, Zion, Xzavier, Xzyria and Harmonii Seay. Two great, great grandchildren: Emeri Sebastian and Melvin Martin. One brother, Mr. Isaac (Nora) Odum, of Jacksonville, FL; . A special niece, Anna O. Joiner; two special cousins, Mrs. Mosie Lee Grady and Annie R. Reynolds both of Cuthbert, GA; her Antioch Missionary Baptist Church Family, the Chattahoochee River Missionary Baptist Association, the Northside and Southside Union Meetings, the Third District Officers and Women's Auxiliary, and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



# Order of Celebration

Musical Prelude..... Johnson & Son Funeral Service

Processional / Last Glance .....Family & Friends

Devotion.....Dea. Harry Richardson  
Dea. Rodney Burks

Scripture:

Old Testament.....Rev. Freddie Starling

New Testament.....Rev. Donny Green

Selection.....Johnson & Son Funeral Service

Expressions: Limited to 3 Minutes Please

As a Church Member.....Dea. Greg Holmes

As the Women's Department President.....Sis. Cynthia Childs

As the Third District Western Region Vice-President.....Sis. Terre Wade

The Obituary.....Read Silently.....Soft Music

Selection.....Johnson & Son Funeral Service

The Eulogy.....Rev. Kristopher Williams

Acknowledgements.....Johnson & Son Funeral Service

The Committal

The Recessional

*Interment*

McDonald Woods Cemetery

*Repast*

J. B. Smith Campus



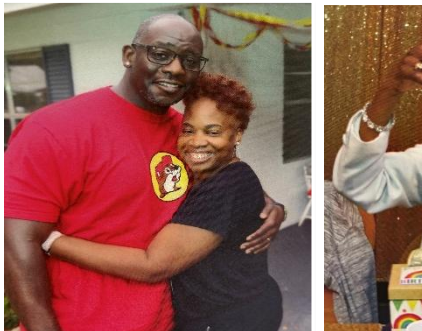
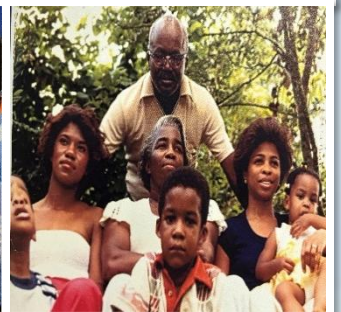
*Forever in Our Hearts*













## *Flower Bearers*

Antioch Missionary Society

## *Ushers*

Friendship Chapter #137, OES

## *Honorary Pallbearers: Grandsons*

Paul Tookes	James Porter, Jr.
Fletcher Seay, III	Thalmus Porter
Patrick Seay	Anthony Seay, Jr.
Johnnie Early, III	

## *Active Pallbearers*

Johnson & Son Funeral Service

## *Acknowledgments*

*The family of Mrs. Hattie O. Brown wish to express their heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your acts of kindness.*

*Thank you for the visits, calls, prayers, and encouraging words extended to us during this most difficult time.*

*To the Phoebe Putney Hematology Department, especially Dr. Joni and Oncology Surgeon, Dr. Munireddy, we thank you for the special care you provided to our Mom. She really appreciated your encouragement.*

*Thanks to Antioch and Pastor Williams, for all the love shown before surgery and during recovery. Your constant prayers meant a lot. May God bless you all!*

## *The Family*

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joy of your  
Master."