

Gratitude from the Brown Family

The family of Vernon "Bub" Charles Brown wishes to express heartfelt appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown to him during his physical illness and ultimate healing. Thanks to our friends who have given us strength us during this most difficult time. We appreciate the Ministry of Compassion rendered by Riverside and Select Hospitals, Scioto Retirement Community Center, Veterans Administration, Hospice and the J E Washington Funeral Services for their professional care and services. May God bless you for your thoughtfulness.



DON'T...

Don't spend too much time in mourning – tears are for the sad. I left to be with Jesus, this should make you glad!

Don't waste your hours grieving, there's no need to feel distress. I'm tired of life frustrations, I had to get some rest.

Don't vex yourself with questions, or try to reason why? Life, for me here, has ended, it came my time to die.

Don't lose the love I gave to you, feed it with your care, Grow it with devotion and spread it everywhere!

Ministry and After-Care Transitional Arrangements Entrusted To

J.E. Washington Funeral Services
2234 Glenwood Ave.  Youngstown, OH 44511
(330)782.8500

In Loving Memory Vernon Charles Brown



1949 - 2025

Friday, September 26, 2025

Calling Hours: 10:00am

Services: 11:00am

Jaylex Event Center

2110 Glenwood Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44511



Order of Celebration

Officiating Clergy Pastor Linda Hall



Parting View

Naval Military Honors

Sacred Text Readings- Min. Marcia Walker

Words and Prayer of Comfort Pastor Michael Harrison

Selection - Pastor Michael Harrison

Public Tributes & Vernon's Legacy - Rene Newell

Family Expressions:

Arnold Smith & Loreatha Hawkins

Friend's Reflection- Mack McClendon

"In Loving Memory of Grand Pa" - Pax and Nalaya

Selection -Min. Reginald Smith

Eulogy - Pastor Linda Hall

Committal Ceremony

Benediction

There will be a repast in the Barbara J. Ford Banquet Hall in the lower level of the Jaylex Event Center following the services.



The Life & Legacy of Vernon "Bub" Brown

On Thursday, September 18, 2025, Vernon Charles Brown, affectionately known as "Bub," took his final journey to the heavens, surrounded by the love and warmth of his family. Born on October 31, 1949, in Youngstown, Ohio, he was a son of Herman and Charlie Mae (Woods) Brown, who nurtured his vibrant spirit and kind heart. A proud graduate of The Rayen School, Vernon enlisted in the United States Navy in 1968, serving his country during the Vietnam Conflict with honor until his discharge in 1972. Returning to Youngstown, he embraced a diverse, varied and yet rewarding career path. Upon retirement, he continued to contribute to society working as an agent for Master Security Company. In this role, it provided him with added joy and companionship as he made countless friends.

Vernon's zest for life was evident in his love for music, dancing, and sharing stories of the past with friends who were as dear to him as family. Known for his infectious grin and playful nicknames he assigned to others; Bub brightened the lives of all who knew him. A loyal Cleveland Browns fan, he supported his team through thick and thin, embodying the spirit of resilience that defined his life. Vernon found joy in the Bobby Womack's signature tune "Harry Hippie," a melody that reminded him of the journey he traveled, a journey now complete as he rests in the embrace of the Lord.

Vernon leaves behind a legacy of love that will echo in the hearts of his beloved children Venus (Wesley) Brooks, Durrell Lewis, Alfred Damaris Cooper, and Alethea McMeans; his adoring grandchildren, Jose Lind, Lamar, Nalaya Lind, and Pax Brooks; and his cherished great-granddaughter, Ania. He is also survived by his dear sister, Herma Ann Barnette; aunt Gerrie Coles of Newark, NJ; former wife, Waretha Brown; and sister-in-law, Deborah Johnson, along with a countless score of family and friends, including Clinton Clark, Dot McClendon, Mack McClendon, and Arthur Cornwell.

As Vernon crossed the celestial sands into eternity, his name is written within the ancestral journal which includes his parents and wife Cindy (Newell) Brown. Let us celebrate his life, the joy he spread, and the legacy he leaves behind—a testament to a well-lived life and a soul now at peace.



