

*Service of Farewell*  
*for*  
**Deacon James Lewis Brown**



**Saturday, June 22, 1991**

**1:00 p.m.**

***NEW SALEMS M. B. CHURCH***

*Veto, Alabama*

**Reverend Ollie Lewis McWilliams, Officiating**  
**Service of Committal and Burial**  
**Smith Field Cemetery**  
**Elkmont, Alabama**



## OBITUARY

James Lewis Brown, the son of the late Mamie and Ed Brown was born December 21, 1915 in Limestone County, Alabama where he attended the public schools. He entered into eternal rest June 18, 1991 at 8:00 at his home.

He confessed hope in Christ August 3, 1962 and united with the New Salem M. B. Church under the pastorage of the late Rev. Mace Bradley. He remained faithful until the death angel silenced his lips. He served as a deacon for 26 years and at the time of his death he was the church treasurer. He was member of Athlestine Lodge No. 71. He was a devoted husband and father. He was always kind and friendly with a smile for everyone. Indeed he loved his fellowman and strongly believed in sharing his blessings with mankind (especially children).

Deacon Brown was united in holy matrimony to Gertrude Payne on November 5, 1939. One daughter, Florine Sneed preceded him in death.

He leaves to cherish his memories, a devoted wife, Gertrude, one son, Jimmy (Barbara) Brown of Nashville, Tennessee; two devoted God children, Ursula and Nika Bassham of Elkmont, Alabama; three sisters, Mary Lee Whitfield and Eddie Mae Martindale of Indianapolis, Indiana and Everjean Smith of Seattle, Washington; four brothers, Reverend Wilson (Leona) Brown and Walter (Mildred) Brown of Athens, Alabama, Thomas Ed Brown and Charles (Lucille) Brown of Indianapolis; one grand-son-in-law one granddaughter-in-law; eight grandchildren all of Nashville, Tennessee; nine great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Mary Lue (David) Martindale of Elkmont, Alabama, Margaret Conwell of Louisville, Kentucky, and Georgia Vance of Indianapolis, Indiana, and a host of nieces, nephews relatives and friends.

*"God knows our sorrows, griefs, and cares. Each secret thought and fear; - God knows how hard the road can be - Throughout each passing year - And when our life on earth is o'er, His mercy then He shares; He bids us lay our burden down, - Because He knows - He Cares"*

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**THE SERVICES OF FAREWELL**

**PROCESSIONAL**

**SELECTION** ..... Elkmont C. P. Choir #1

**SONG** ..... Deacon George E. Hansred

**PRAYER** ..... Deacon Luther Holt Jr.

**SCRIPTURE** ..... Reverend Dossie Coleman

**SELECTION** ..... Choir

**REMARKS** ..... Limit 2 Minutes Please)

*As a member* ..... Deacon Lawrence Cosby

*As a neighbor* ..... Sister Freda Compton

*Minister Reflection*

**SELECTION** ..... Choir

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** ..... Brother James Horton

**WORDS OF COMFORT** ..... Rev. Wilson Brown

Reverend Robert Lee (Bo) Williams

**SOLO** ..... Sister Wanda Gail Pryor

**EULOGY** ..... Rev. Ollie L. McWilliams

**SOLO** ..... Sister Lucinda Jones Bassham

Athlestine Lodge #71 in Charge

**VIEWING OF REMAINS**

**RECESSIONAL**



**PALLBEARERS**

*Athlestine Lodge No. 71*

**FLOWERBEARERS**

*Mothers of the Richland Creek Mother's Union*

**EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION**

*The family of the late Deacon J. L. Brown  
acknowledges with grateful appreciation  
the many kind expressions of sympathy  
and love shown during the death of their loved one.*



**Final Arrangements Entrusted To**

**People's Funeral Home**

**Athens, Alabama**