

CELEBRATION OF LIFE
FOR
Mrs. Lottie Mariah Williams Brown

SUNRISE: AUGUST 22, 1926

SUNSET: AUGUST 31, 2014



Saturday, September 6, 2014
11:00 A.M.

First African Baptist Church
23 Montgomery Street
(Franklin Square)
Savannah, GA 31401

Rev. Thurmond Tillman, Pastor

Life's Journey

Mrs. Lottie Williams Brown was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward and Regina Dawson Williams, August 22, 1926 in Beaufort, South Carolina. She grew up in the York Street and Yamacraw communities and was educated in the public schools of Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. Brown attended Georgia State College, Savannah, GA and George Peabody Teachers College, Nashville, Tennessee. She spent several years as a home maker, raising her children and later worked as a Lead Teacher for Head Start.

She was First Lady at Saint John Baptist Church serving with her husband Pastor Emeritus Matthew Southall Brown, Sr. of Saint John Baptist Church for thirty five-years. Sis. Brown was a Deaconess, sang in the choir, taught Sunday School, led Bible School, participated in BTU, Senior Retired League, Foreign Missions, Mission In Action, Minnie Bowman Senior Mission, Re-entry Journal and Archives Committee.

Sis. Brown's affiliations extended beyond Saint John and included Local, State, National and International Baptist Ministries and Ministers' Wives & Widows Associations. She served as Coordinator of the ministers' wives of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia. She was crowned Georgia State Queen of the organization in 1989.

She was a kind and loving mother, devoted wife and ardent PTA parent.

She leaves to mourn: husband, Pastor Matthew Southall Brown, Sr.; children: Maxine (Eddie Lamar) Jones, Leonard Brown, Christa (Garland) Stephens, Pastor Matthew Southall (Dorothy) Brown, Jr.; grandchildren: Eddie Lamar-Southall (Nicole) Jones, Katea Jones (Derico) Watson, Christopher Andre (Jakia) Poythress, Calvin Whitley, Matthew Southall Brown, III, Lakeisha Brown, Latia Brown (Christopher) McDaniels; great grands: Khalil Jones, Nyla Jones, Alphonso Jones, Nia Watson, Derico Watson, Jr., Christopher Poythress, Dylan Poythress, Samiyah Whitley, Iyana Whitley, Matthew Southall Brown, IV, Joseph Brown, Leighanna Brown-Hobbs, Leah Brown, Jordyn Brown, Amelia Brown and Cameron Poythress; sisters: Mrs. Lillian (Rev. Edward) Ellis, Savannah, Mrs. Lauretta Williams Jones, Florida; a devoted foster son, Abraham Adewarwa; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and acquaintances.

She also leaves a host of foster and spiritual children whom she loved. Too numerous to mention.

Immediate care givers: Pastor Matthew Southall Brown, Sr., Ms. Rosalind Crumbly, Cousin Naomi Brown, and Ms. Linda Willis.



Mid Term Commencement of Beach High to Begin January the 20th

laureate at First Bry-
ant Baptist Church

Program at St. John Baptist
Church—Class of 27 to Re-
ceive Diplomas.

Sunday, January 20, the
class of the mid-term gradu-
ates of Beach High School
assembled at First Bryant Bap-
tist Church at 11:30 to worship
before the congregation and listen
to the sermon rendered by the Rev.
folley.

class play which is the sec-
ond in the program of schol-
arships for the commemo-
ration will be presented
on night, January 21, at the
Hall on East Gordon St.
one of the play is "Protes-
tant Could You."

class day exercise will be
held Wednesday morning at
Elson Church.

Final commencement exer-
cise will be held Friday evening at
St. John Baptist Church on East



Above in the library of the members of the class of January 20. They are left to right: Pearl Lee
Harris, Gladys M. Thomas, Dorothy D. Dyer, Mary E. Dyer, Frances Robinson, Leola Sanders,
Verna E. M. Leake, Rebecca Johnson, and right to left: Lottie Williams, Margaret Powell, Verna Brown, Gladys
Dyer, Verna Royal, Rebecca Johnson, Rebecca Royal, Bernice Rivers, Edith Lee, Ernest Washington,
Alfonso Lee, Charlene Milton, Nina Ficklin, Emily Jackson, Helen Genderson, and Bernice Rivers.



A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR Sister Lottie Mariah Williams Brown

Rev. Dr. George P. Lee, III, Ph. D, Presiding

PRELUDE Musicians

PROCESSIONAL

MUSICAL SELECTION.....*Blessed Assurance* Choir and Congregation

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

The Old Testament.....*Proverbs 31:10-31*.....Rev. Thomas Williams, Ph. D

New Testament.....*II Corinthians 5:1-10*..... Rev. Paul A. Little, II

WORDS OF COMFORT AND PRAYER..... Pastor Thurmond N. Tillman

MUSICAL SELECTION... *We Are Tossed & Driven (By and By)* .. Choir & Congregation

REFLECTIONS (Two Minutes Please)

Dr. Beverly Glover or Evangelist Jackie Smalls, *Ministers' Wives*

Dea. James Riles, *First African Baptist Church*

Dea. George N. Williams, *Saint John Baptist Church*

Mr. Walter B. Simmons, *A. E. Beach High School, Class of 1946*

Mrs. Naomi Brown, *Cousin*

HYMN MEDLEY Musicians

RESOLUTION.....*Outstanding Georgia Citizen* Helen L. Willis

REFLECTIONS BY ELECTED OFFICIALS County Commission, Al Scott, Chairman

Hon. Edna B. Jackson, *Mayor, City of Savannah*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS Sis. Chequeta Riles

ON BEHALF OF THE FAMILY..... Pastor Matthew Southall Brown, Jr.

SOLO *I Want Jesus To Walk With Me*..... Sis. Lillian Ellis, *Sister of Deceased*

EULOGY Pastor Matthew Southall Brown, Sr.

RECESSIONAL *When We All Get To Heaven* Choir and Congregation

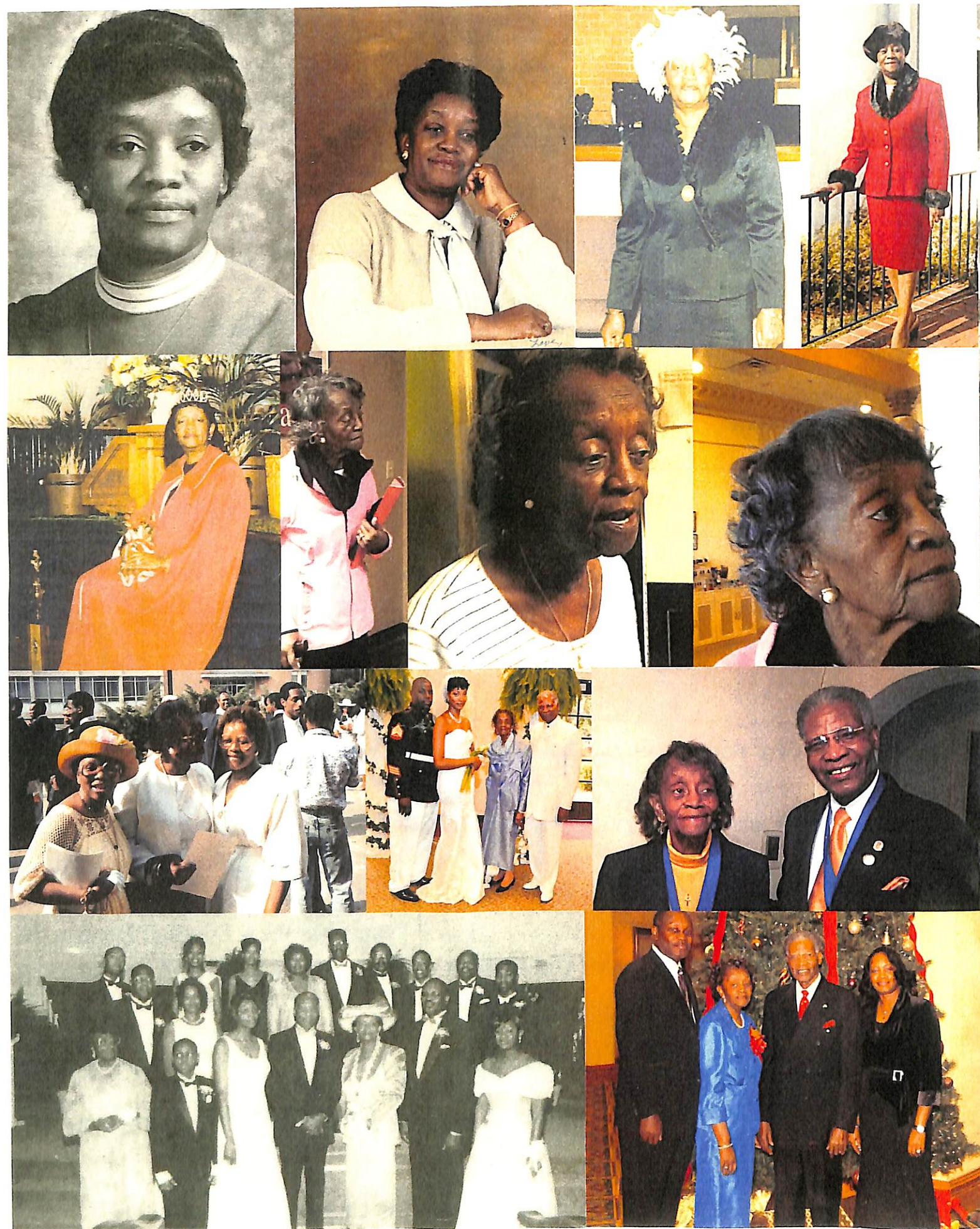
POSTLUDE

Interment

Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Hunter Field

Repast

Lower Auditorium of the Church



TRIBUTE TO MY WIFE

Lottie Mariah Williams Brown

Dear Lottie,



We have come along way together. We have been together for sixty-five years. Sixty-five years is a long time, but it seems like only six months because you have been such a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Thank you for all you have done to make my ministry over these past fifty or more years, a success. Now, I am an author and you have had much to do with that. One of the lines in the marriage vows says, "We should leave our parents and cleave to one another in marriage."

Thank you for leaving Deacon Edward Williams Sr. and Regina Dawson Williams, your parents and cleaving to me, your husband.

As I usually say Lottie, "Many couples never cleave because they never leave." Thank you for trusting me as your husband to have and to hold.

WRITTEN OCTOBER 26, 2013
BY PASTOR MATTHEW SOUTHALL BROWN, SR.
FOR HIS WIFE LOTTIE DURING HIS FIRST BOOK SIGNING

Honorary Pall Bearers

Rev. Edward Ellis, Jr.

Rev. Clarence Williams

Rev. Wilson Scott

Rev. Thomas Williams

Rev. Clarence Kinlaw

Rev. Willie Rice

Rev. Alfreddie Mingledorf

Rev. Shannon O'Neil Smith

Active Pall Bearers

Calvin Whitley

Andre Poythress

Byron Jones

Matthew Brown, III

Lamar Jones

Khalil Jones

Derico Watson

Rev. Paul A. Little

Rev. Edward Ellis, III

Flower Bearers

Usher Board Members

St. John Baptist Church & First African Baptist Church

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Lottie Mariah Williams Brown would like to express our sincere appreciation for the many prayers, telephone calls, visits and kind deeds shown during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you.



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