



Donald Lebron Brown

June 29, 1923 - July 26, 2016

Donald Lebron Brown, 93, of Ooltewah, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, July 26, 2016. He was born in Rossville, Georgia on June 29, 1923 to the late, Clarence Aaron & Eva Viola Justice Brown. He lived the earlier part of his life in the North Georgia area before moving to Ooltewah in 1952. Don proudly served 3 years in the Navy during W.W. II, obtaining the rank of 1st Class Radar Operator in PT Squadron 20. He attended Emory & Henry College, Emory, Virginia where he received his Bachelor of Science degree and met and married his wife, June. Don came back to the Chattanooga area in 1950 and worked in several industries until he went into the educational field. He received his Masters Degree from UTC, but took some required courses from UT Knoxville, MTSU Murfreesboro and UGA Dalton. He taught at Central High School on Dodds Avenue and Lakeview High School. He was the Guidance Counselor and taught History & Spanish Classes. He became the first Principal of Lakeview Junior High School. Mr. Brown left academics in 1977 to become Superintendent of the Chattanooga River Terminal before finally retiring in 1985. He was a member of Westside Baptist Church on Lakewood Drive and in his later years attended Brainerd Baptist Church in Chattanooga and became a member of the Friendship Class. Don served his whole life in the church; being a Deacon, teaching Sunday School Classes and acting as Choir Director when needed. Don loved hunting, fishing and painting, but on Friday nights he loved Pickin & Playin at Johnny's Garage. Don was a member of the Tennessee Dahlia & American

Dahlia Society and successfully showed Dahlias all over the United States. He was an editor of the Bulletin published by American Society. Mr. Brown was preceded in death by brother, Leroy Brown and sister, Mary Sue Brown Cross Konertz.

Survivors include his loving wife of more than 69 years, June Rice Brown; brothers & sisters-in-law, Edwin & Dorothy Brown, Anne & Jim Carter, Bob & Frances "Chappie" Rice, Bill Rice; nieces & nephews, Linda Cross, Charlene & Wayne Hardeman, Diana & Murray McGahee, Paige & Bill Fretwell; Robin Palmer, Joe Carter, Jon & Chris Carter, Hope & Paul Fishburn, Dean & Jennifer Rice, Linda Phifer, Judson & Pamela Rice, Mike & Patricia Brown and numerous extended family & friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, August 1, 2016 in the Fort Oglethorpe Chapel with Bro. Jeff Brown officiating. Burial will follow in the Chattanooga National Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2-9 p.m. on Sunday and prior to the service on Monday at the funeral home. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Homes, Fort Oglethorpe, GA

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

Holtzclaw Ave.
Chattanooga, TN

Tribute Wall

 Debra Shaw

“ Dear June, You are in my thoughts and prayers. It was such a pleasure to work in your home and to meet you and Don. I truly enjoyed all of his stories and his beautiful artwork. May God continue to comfort you and give you peace.
Your friend and former caregiver to Don. Debra Haynes Shaw.

Debra Shaw - August 15, 2016 at 03:00 PM

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“ Dear June,
I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. We both know he is in a much better place waiting for your arrival. I cherish the memories and often look back at our deer hunting trips, eating your Friday night oyster buffet, (with your frozen biscuits back before they could not even be bought) AND our trip to Alaska!!
You and Don were both a Momma and a Daddy to me- a kid from South Knoxville. Don was truly a special friend and mentor. He will be greatly missed by anyone who ever knew him.
I only learned of Don's passing today and so sorry I was unable to take part in his celebration of life service. I no longer use the computer so please respond to my wife's email: cnorton@johnsonu.edu or call me on my cell @ (423) 871-1644.

My love and prayers will always be with you.
Benny

Benny Hodges - August 01, 2016 at 09:00 AM

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“ *Benny Hodges lit a candle in memory of Donald Lebron Brown*



Benny Hodges - August 01, 2016 at 08:46 AM



“ *Sharon McMurrain lit a candle in memory of Donald Lebron Brown*



Sharon McMurrain - July 30, 2016 at 01:00 AM