



Marie Brown

March 19, 1929 - May 1, 2021

Marie Bryant Brown, 92, of Mooresville and formerly of Conway, SC, peacefully went to be with her Lord and Savior on May 1, 2021.

She was born March 19, 1929 as the daughter of the late Roy and Lou Ida Bryant of Conway, SC. and graduated from high school in 1947. At age 18, she married her sweetheart, Weneferd Freeman Brown. They were a dashing young couple who loved to drive ("literally") on the beach, specifically Myrtle Beach. After three years of marriage, they had their son Kem, and five years later, their daughter Karen. In 1961, they moved to Mooresville, NC, where they would remain the rest of their lives. Weneferd was ill for many years, and Marie gave him loving care throughout this time.

In addition to her parents, Marie was preceded in death by her husband Weneferd Freeman Brown, her sisters-Lucille Collins, and Annette Jackson, her brothers-James Bryant, Odell Bryant, Paul Bryant, Leroy Bryant, and Elder Bryant, her grandson- Kem Brown Jr, and her step-granddaughter- Jessica Deese Hauser.

She loved to spend time with family and friends. Born during the Great Depression, she learned early on the importance of self-sufficiency and determination. Her perseverance and strive to be the "best she could be" enabled her to graduate from high school, which was very uncommon for the children of tobacco sharecroppers.

Marie also loved fashion and shared her expertise in ladies retail for a number of years.

Marie had a true talent for singing and a love for music and dance. She instilled her passion for both in her children and everyone around her. She sang on numerous occasions and for several events including school plays, at church, for weddings, and on the radio.

She was the office manager, costume designer, and did numerous other jobs at The Academy of Dance and Fine Arts (ADFA) for over 22 years. There, she was known to everyone as "Mrs. Brown" or "Miss Marie". She took pride not only in "doing her job" but also in nurturing the children at the studio. For several years, Marie was the "Grandmother" in The Nutcracker Ballet and was well-known for giving her "notes" to the dancers to help them improve, (whether they asked for them or not.....loved it). Most important to her was her family, and she will forever be remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great great-grandmother. She was Grandma Marie, a sister, an aunt, "Miss Marie", and a friend. Marie was a woman of strong faith in God and always put everyone else's needs before her own.

She leaves a lasting legacy to be cherished by her survivors. Her survivors are son- Kem T. Brown and wife Bonnie Brown, daughter- Karen Brown Deese and husband Larry Deese; sister-Joyce Inman; grandchild-Chris Brown; step-grandchildren-Jason Hoots and wife Jenny, Jennifer Fallon and husband Scott, Cameron Deese and wife Mandy, Jennifer Brown, wife of Kem Brown Jr., Patrick Hauser, husband of Jessica Deese Hauser; great grandchildren-Raven Brown, Darion Brown, Josh Brown, Brittany Brown; step-great-grandchildren-Sage Hoots, Kash Hoots, Elizabeth Fallon, and Lennon Deese; great great-grandchildren-Kori Hyatt, Jasper Ware, and a host of nieces, nephews, friends, her Accordius Health Family, and her ADFA Family. A Celebration of life service will be held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, May 4 at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow the service at Cleveland First Baptist Church, Cleveland, NC.

The family will be forever grateful to all the nurses, therapists, physicians, CNAs, and the entire staff at Accordius Health in Mooresville for loving and

caring for Miss Marie since October 2019. They would also like to thank everyone at Hospice who have been recently helping care for their Mother. They thank her beloved church, Cleveland First Baptist Church, her family, and friends for their unwavering prayers, compassion, and support. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Brown family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cleveland First Baptist Church

200 Maple Street
P.O. Box 325
Cleveland, NC 27013

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 4. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel
494 E. Plaza Drive
 Mooresville, NC 28115

Graveside Service

MAY 4. 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Cleveland First Baptist Church
200 Maple Street
P.O. Box 325
Cleveland, NC 27013

Tribute Wall

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“ Marie was my aunt. She was a wonderful person.when I was a girl I stayed with her . Briefly, we didnt communicate over the years ,much due to my life with four boys was very filled up. I miss her and all.my aunts from Bryant side of family. And uncles

Sherry Justice - December 26, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 04, 2021 at 10:41 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 04, 2021 at 07:26 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 03, 2021 at 09:26 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.*



May 03, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.*



May 03, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.*



May 03, 2021 at 03:04 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.*



May 03, 2021 at 12:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 02, 2021 at 02:30 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 02, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Marie Brown.



May 01, 2021 at 09:01 PM

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“ Marie’s last performance as the grandmother in the Nutcracker happened to be the year that my daughter danced the part of Clara. We got to know her very well. The following year I had the pleasure of keeping her company in the audience. I got to know so much about her and her daughter Karen that year. She was an amazing individual and I truly felt privileged to have the opportunity to get to know her. She had a gift. She knew how to make each person feel as though they were the most important person and moment ,of her day. We should all learn from her how to carry on through life ,and give others the opportunity to feel great about themselves. It is what she did for so many children.... as well as MOMS out there. God blessed all of you as her family.... and all of us that knew her.

Connie,Crystal, and Lloyd Winner - May 01, 2021 at 08:36 PM