God's Garden

God looked around His garden
And He found an empty place,
He then looked down upon this earth,
And saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful;
He always takes the best.

He knew you were in pain
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
So He closed your weary
Eyelids. And whispered "Peace
be thine." It broke our hearts to
lose you. But you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you

A Word of Thanks

*The family of **Fredricka K. Brown** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this hour of bereavement.*
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support and comfort.
It is immensely appreciated.

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Fredricka Karen Brown

OCTOBER 27, 1960 – OCTOBER 7, 2026

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OBITUARY

FREDRICKA K. BROWN

Affectionately Known as Kay Kay or Aunt Kay Kay

With hearts full of love and cherished memories, the family of Fredricka Karen Brown, affectionately known as Kay Kay or Aunt Kay Kay, announces her peaceful passing on October 7, 2026. Born on October 27, 1960, in Columbus, Ohio, Fredricka brought authenticity, strength, and a vibrant spirit into every room she entered.

After a dedicated career with the State of Ohio, Fredricka retired in 2022. Her commitment to her work reflected the determination and strong work ethic she carried throughout her life. Outside of work, she enjoyed cooking, working out at the gym, shooting pool, spending time at the gun range, fishing, reading, laughing at the latest social media posts, and simply people-watching. Above all, she treasured time spent with her beloved "Boogins" and her family.

As the third of eight children, Fredricka was the definition of a big sister. Bold, outspoken, passionate, and fiercely devoted to those she loved, she was a woman who was going to be heard, whether you wanted to hear her or not. She never beat around the bush, shied away from speaking her mind, or compromised who she was to make others comfortable. She stood firmly in her truth and lived by her convictions—a true woman of integrity.

Her passion could intimidate some and be misunderstood by others, but Fredricka was never one to pretend or tell people what they wanted to hear just to keep the peace. With Kay Kay, you knew where she stood. Her words were direct, her presence unmistakable, and her character rooted in authenticity. Beneath that strong, no-nonsense exterior was a woman who loved fiercely, enjoyed a good laugh, and lived unapologetically as herself.

Family was at the center of Kay Kay's world, and she was perfectly content keeping her circle small. In her own words, "I have 5 sisters. What do I need friends for?" That statement captured her perfectly. She knew who her people were and found companionship, connection, and plenty of personality within her own family. She also enjoyed the friendships formed through her love of shooting pool. Kay Kay didn't need a crowd; she valued the people she chose to keep close.

Much like her own mother, Kay Kay made her home a safe haven for those she loved. She created a space where people felt accepted and comfortable, offering support, wisdom, laughter, and genuine care. Whether through a home-cooked meal, a helping hand, an honest conversation, or simply being present, she showed love in ways that mattered. Her sisters, nieces, nephews, and extended family knew they could count on her for honesty, support, and a listening ear. She might have told you exactly what you needed to hear, even if it wasn't what you wanted to hear, but you never had to question her sincerity.

Kay Kay's love extended far beyond the walls of her own home. Throughout the years, she opened her heart and home to nephews, cousins, and her children's friends, especially young men who faced challenges at home and needed somewhere safe to turn. She welcomed them with a place to stay, guidance, a listening ear, and the comfort of knowing someone cared. In many ways, she adopted them as her own, never making them feel like outsiders, but like family. To these young men, Kay Kay was more than a friend's mother or an aunt; she was a safe place, a source of strength, and another mother whose love left a lasting mark on their lives. She showed them that family is not always defined by blood, but by who opens the door, makes room at the table, and stands beside you when you need it most.

Though she may not have been the most outwardly religious person, Fredricka possessed a remarkable knowledge of the Bible. Her understanding of Scripture and spiritual wisdom often brought depth and perspective to her conversations, allowing her to offer insight and counsel in her own unmistakable way.

As a child, Fredricka delighted in tap dancing and swimming, with Home Economics as her favorite class. These early interests reflected the creativity and practical skills she carried into adulthood. Her love of cooking and caring for those closest to her became meaningful expressions of the love she shared with her family.

Fredricka leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband, Arthur Brown Jr.; her four children, Arthur Brown, Adel Brown, Ashley Anderson, and Adrian Brown; and her three beloved daughters-in-law, Quin Brown, her "Unicorn"; Ashley Brown, her "Sunshine"; and Melissa Brown, her "Bird." Each held a special place in Kay Kay's heart, and the loving names she gave them reflected the unique bonds they shared.

She also leaves her cherished grandchildren, DeVauntea and DeVyn, affectionately known as her "Boogins," and sometimes lovingly referred to as "D1" and "D2."

Her Boogins brought her immeasurable joy and kept her laughing. Like any grandmother who loved deeply, she had her moments of frustration and her share of lectures, but she was immensely proud of them. The foundation Kay Kay laid for her daughter as a young mother helped shape the remarkable young people her grandchildren are today. If her Boogins needed anything, she was there faster than the speed of light—and ready for war if necessary. She did not play about her Boogins. Her love, guidance, and unwavering support will remain part of their foundation for the rest of their lives.

She leaves behind her devoted siblings, Victor Anderson, Janera McCrory, Brian Anderson, Theresa Green Hickman, Kristy Hylton, Regina McFarland, and Shannon Green, along with extended family, nephews, cousins, and the many young men who found love, acceptance, and a place to belong in her home.

Fredricka was preceded in death by her father, Charles Marvin Anderson; her mother, Glenda Green; her grandmother, Bluette Richardson; and her grandfather, Fred Richardson.

Kay Kay's legacy is one of love, acceptance, authenticity, integrity, and laughter. She was a woman who stood in her truth, spoke her mind, loved her family fiercely, and made her presence known. She taught others through her words, her actions, and the example she set. Her influence will live on in the family traditions she helped create, the lessons she shared, the meals remembered, the stories retold, and the laughter that will continue to fill family gatherings.

Though her physical presence is no longer with us, the love she gave and the memories she created will remain with all who knew and loved her.

May her spirit live on in every story shared, every truth spoken with courage, every door opened to someone in need, every laugh that brings her to mind, and every heart she touched.

Fredricka K. Brown—our Kay Kay, our Aunt Kay Kay—will forever be loved, remembered, and deeply missed.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prayer
Aunt Shannon Green

Remarks/Reflections
Family

Reading of Obituary
Ashley Anderson

Benediction

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Clergy, Family and Friends

GOD SAW YOU

God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "Come to me".
You didn't deserve what you went through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best
And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back
To suffer that again.