

The Bearers of the Casket

Tyreece Buchanan
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Gary Coleman Brown

Jalon Hughes
Christopher T. Brown
Tristan Grayson

Virgil Johnson
Ja'Veon Knapper
Donald Ray Shumate Jr.

Stacey Brown (Tay)
Mike Mike Knapper
Deven Woodworth

Floral Attendants

Friends and Family

Interment

Booker T. Washington Cemetery
Muskogee Oklahoma

Acknowledgements

The family of Joyce Brown-Richardson would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all who prayed, visited, called, sent flowers, brought food, or rendered any acts of kindness, your love and concern has been a comfort to us and will forever be grateful. Thank you for loving and enjoying our "Sheriff" as much as we have. Its hard to find a good loyal friend and when you do hang on to them tight for as long as you can. May God continue to keep you in his good grace and mercy

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IN LOVING MEMORY

MARCH 10, 1949 – FEBRUARY 3, 2026



"The Sheriff"

Joyce
Marie Brown-Richardson

Saturday, February 14, 2026
12:00 p.m.
Antioch The Temple of Hope
500 W. Broadway Str.
Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401



She Lived, She Loved.

She left Much too Soon!

You know I've never met a stranger so just know I love each and everyone that has come by to see me. I can't name you all, I don't have enough time, but I carry all of you dear in my heart.

I was born in a little house on 2nd street in Muskogee to Helen Shine-Brown and Clyde Brown Sr. on March 10, 1949 in Muskogee. Little did I know I would be the first of the rest of you hard heads to come along, Charlene, Clyde Jr. (Sonny), Patricia, Rena, Vickie, Terri, Elizabeth and Kimberly. My grandmother Carrie named me Joyce Marie Brown, since I was the first grandchild born in her presence. I grew up in a small house on Jackson Str. I was baptized at an early age of about 8 or 9 years old at Old Agency Church by Rev. James McDaniel whom was also our next-door neighbor. I later joined Rayfield Baptist Church becoming a faithful member. The family later moved our membership to Greater Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in which I served on many auxiliary boards, I even sang in the choir a solo one time "imagine that". My mother taught me to pray as soon as I learned to talk. I was well prepared for my assignment that God had for me.

I attended Douglas Elementary School, going on to Manuel Training High School, running track and studied cosmetology. I graduated from Manuel Training High School with class of 1967.

I always ran everywhere I went and loved working with my hands. I had my first real date at 18 years old and it was "real nice" we dated some years and then came Stacey Ladon my first son, mother named him. Dad spoiled him being the first grandchild. Later came Christopher Antone, I named him that because when he was born he had a halo around him that reminded me of "Christ". Then there was Ronald Cornel, I held my baby gently before the Lord took him right back the same day he gave him to me. My last son, I named him Corey LaRon, no certain reason he just looked like a Corey. "What are my boys gone do without me?"

Me having a family encouraged me to further my education so I went back to school at around 30 years old attending Bacone College, Connors and the Vo-tech, the kids in my class was much younger but they helped me to succeed.

My first job was at the Muskogee Health Department, there I learned everything I needed to know to become an effective secretary, that landed me a job with Muskogee Public Schools System for over 20 years.

My first marriage was to John Davis to that union a son was born which was Ronald. I later married Oscar Richardson Jr. that marriage dissolved after a few years, we decided we were better friends so we remained good friends until his passing.

My sons Stacey, Chris and Corey were my most treasured possessions having someone to love me back. They have been there for me and each other no matter what and have blessed me with the most beautiful and loving grandchildren.

My eldest sister Joyce I love you and will truly miss you, my heart cried for you before you were gone. I'm glad we had our last conversations, something I can hang onto until we meet again.

Joyce has many friends and family that will miss her and showed much love. Whether it was visiting, a phone call or just passing by and seeing her sitting in her garage. Her love, and generosity gained her many nick names "Sheriff" "The Mayor of 4th Str.", "Daisy" "Red", and "G mama" She became an unforgettable friend to whomever she met. If there was something you needed to know or who was related or what's going on in town, all you had to do was call the "Sheriff" and if she didn't know, give her a few minutes and she would have the answer. We will miss her going to bingo and family functions. Joyce was truly the Matriarch, a true queen. The glue that held the family together.

The real question is what are going to do without her. She endured so much during her life time but always straightened her crown and continued, no matter if she was falling apart inside. She was truly a Diamond that sparkled so brightly.

Those who are now embracing her love from above are: her parents Clyde Sr. and Helen Brown. (grandparents) Amos Sr. and Stella Brown, Charlie Sr. and Carrie Shine (sons) Stacey Brown and Ronald Davis, (sister) Charlene Gilyard, (Brothers) Clyde Brown Jr. and Mark McClain (nephews) LeGayer Ragsdale, Ja'Cion Ragsdale, Herbert Hill IV (TJ), Wendell (BJ) Barnett Jr., Justin Shaw and (niece) Aniyah Brown.

Those that wait to embrace her love when we meet again are: (Sons) Corey Knapper and Christopher A. Brown (special friend Stephanie Dowling), (Sisters) Patricia Rouse, Charlotte Ward, Vickie Ragsdale, Terri Wright (Donald) Elizabeth Hill, Kimberly Osby, Darlene Brown and Sheila McClain, (Sis-n-law) Debra Brown (Brothers) Stanley Brown (Sharryn), Gary Coleman Brown and Michael Dutton. (Grandchildren) Stacey, Dylan, Keonace, DeShant'e, Tre'on, Tristan, Deven, Gary, Ja'Veon, Tia, Karina, Stacia, Justice, Tryna'te, Mikayla, Kristin, Darashia, Chelsea and Calecia: Bonus daughter Andrea Reed, and bonus grandchildren: Quinton, Destiny, Elbony and Mahogany. Twenty-Three Great grandchildren. Special and dear friend Brenda Ledbetter, (special cousins) Linda Shine and Cathy Dixon and Aunt DaRhonda Shine.



Order of Service

OFFICIATING

Dr. Marlon J. Coleman

MUSICAL PRELUDE

Ronnie Jamison

SEATING OF THE FAMILY

TRIBUTE IN SONG

Miss Brianna McVay

COMFORT IN SCRIPTURE (NEW AND OLD TESTAMENT)

Minister Melody Cranford

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Rev. Donald Cherry

RESOLUTIONS

Sis Joyce Tate

SHARED MEMORIES (LIMIT TO 2 MINUTES)

Elizabeth Hill, LeRoy Manns, Virgil Johnson

VIDEO TRIBUTE

WORDS OF COMFORT

Dr. Marlon J. Coleman

TRIBUTE IN SONG (PRESENTATION OF CROWN)

Miss Brianna McVay

WE BID HER, ADIEU

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