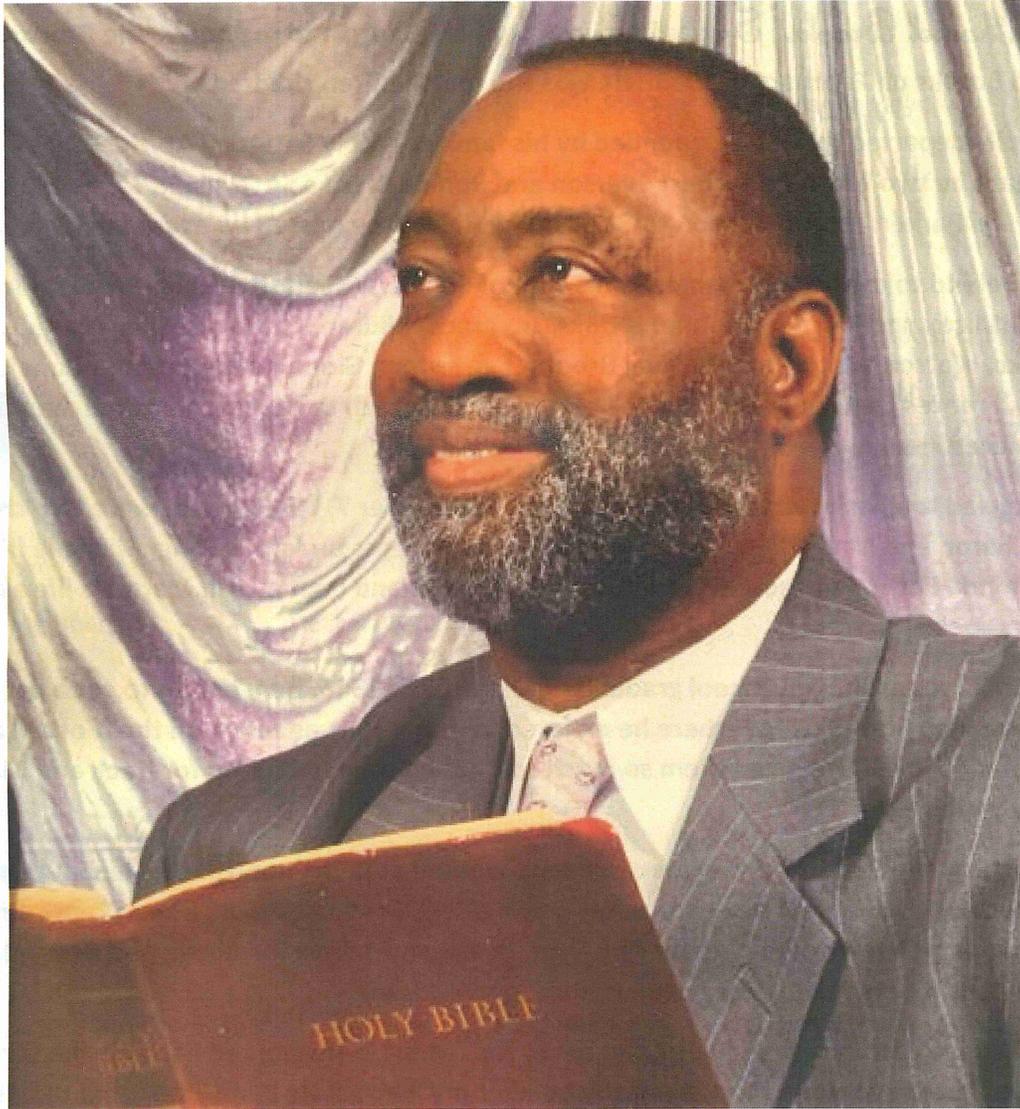


Celebration of Life for



Reverend Marion Nathaniel Brooks, Sr.

February 8, 1948 – April 19, 2025

Life's Motto: "God is not the HEAD of my life. He IS my life!"

Saturday, May 3, 2025

11:00 am

Jonesville Baptist Church

Pastor Richard L. Hall of Second Arnold Baptist Church Officiating

Obituary

Marion Nathaniel Brooks, Sr was born in Savannah, Georgia to the late Jessie Brooks, Jr. and Margaret Lloyd Brooks on February 8, 1948. He was the fourth of ten children.

Marion peacefully departed this life surrounded by his family on Holy Saturday April 19, 2025. Marion was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert Byerson and Ronald Brooks Sr., a sister, Jessie Mae Brown, and a grandson, Michael Parker. His dedication to God and family will be missed by everyone he met.

Marion leaves behind to cherish his memories his wife of 55 years, Charlotte Miller Brooks, his children, Charon (Kevin) Wilcox and Marion (Dionna) Brooks, Jr., grandchildren, Charniece Shay (Carey) Fountain, Natrece Brooks, Warron Wilcox, and NaShay Brooks, five sisters, Gloria Kemp, Barbara Coneley, Mary Louise Bellamy, Frances Carolyn (James) Carter, and Betty (Michael) Lawrence, a brother, Samuel Brooks, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Marion was married to Charlotte, the love of his life, on November 7, 1970. There were two children born to this union, Charon and Marion. He also took 2 very special nieces under his wing, Michelle (Kevin) Walston and Alonda Petty. But there were other special nieces and nephews in Marion's life as well. Family was always very special to him.

Marion was a Sol C. Johnson High School graduate in the class of 1966. He went on to get a bachelor's degree from Savannah State College where he majored in math. He was active on the football and track teams, two sports he loved. He loved them so much so, that he trained Charon for track and Marion, Jr for football at very young ages.

Marion's personality showed through in his career. He worked at Belk Department Stores where he worked his way up to become a divisional manager. After leaving Belk, Marion became a sales representative for Byrd Cookie Company. A few years after leaving Byrd, he began to drive for Above and Beyond. His love for people and his vibrant personality were evident throughout his life.

Marion was called into the ministry in 1999 and never looked back. He worked hard for the Lord for the rest of his life. He would tell everyone "God is not the head of my life, but He IS my life!" And that is how he lived his life. He was all in.

Pastoring a flock was what he was determined to do. He always looked to God for guidance and cared about the souls of those in the flock God put under his leadership. Marion pastored St. Mark Baptist Church for almost 20 years before stepping down. He prayed about that for a long time. He then went all around the city sharing the word whenever asked or invited. He was always trying to help souls to be saved and found opportunities everywhere he went.

There was not a person Marion met who was not touched by him and his welcoming personality. You could not go anyplace in Savannah with him and not have to stop while he held conversations with people he saw around the city.

Order of Worship Services

Presiding	Zion Association Moderator Pastor Marvin Lloyd
Processional and Final Viewing	
Hymn of Preparation	Love Lifted Me, Minister Sarah Baker, Beach Hill Baptist
Scriptures	
Old Testament	Minister Johnnie Perkins II, Second Arnold Baptist Church
New Testament	Pastor Clarence Kinlaw, Zion Hill Baptist Church
Solo	Sam Brooks
Invocation	Prophetess Hazel Scott, Resurrection Pentecostal Temple
Expressions of Love (The family kindly requests these be limited to no more than 3 minutes.)	
Church Member	Deacon Curley Green
Friend	Leroy Pace, Jr./Gloria V. Pace
Family	Lester Heyward
Family	Minister Alvin Walker
Family	Rhasheen Brooks
Solo	Glynnis Williams
Tribute	Mayor Van Johnson, City of Savannah
Remarks	Deacon Ronald Green, St. Mark Baptist Church
Acknowledgements/Resolutions	Gloria V. Pace
Solo	Pastor Sammie Kenty, Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church
Words of Inspiration	Pastor Richard L. Hall, Sr., Second Arnold Baptist Church
Solo	Melody Perkins

Interment – Oak Grove Cemetery

Repast – Carver Village Community Center

Marion Brooks, Sr.

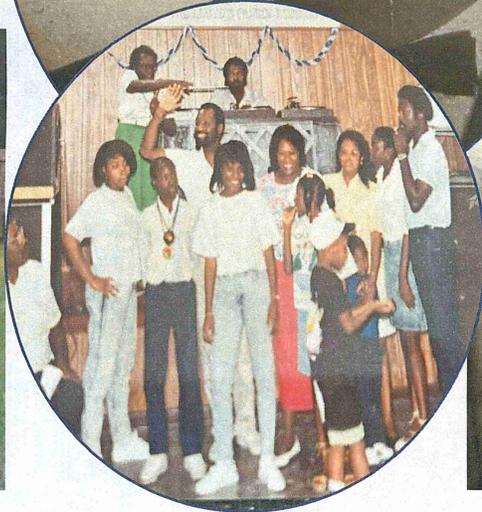
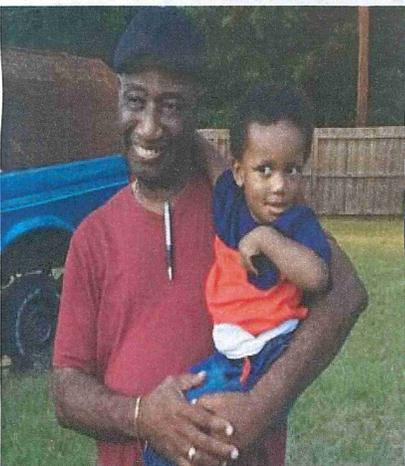
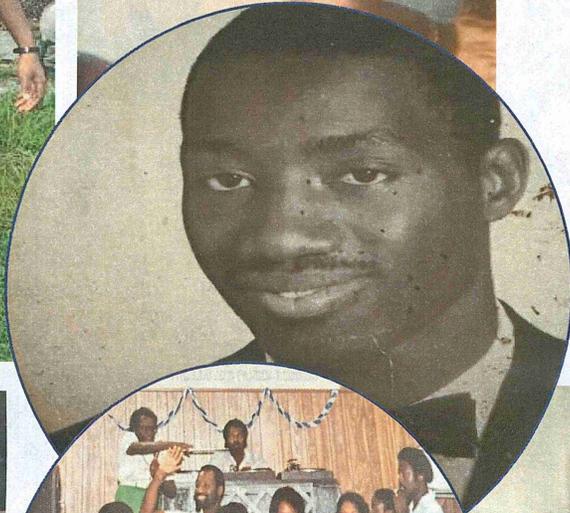
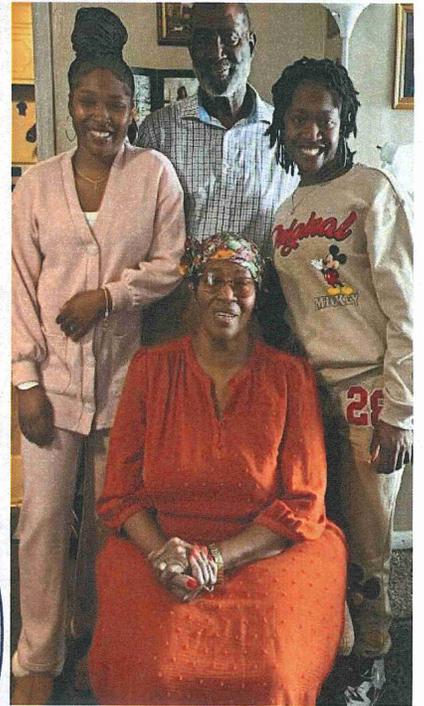
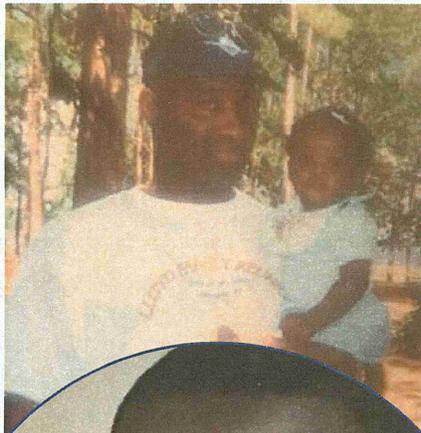
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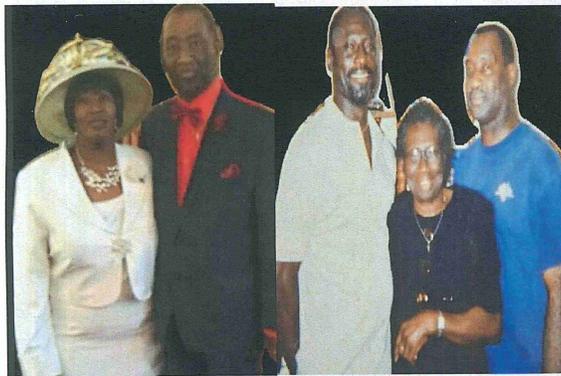
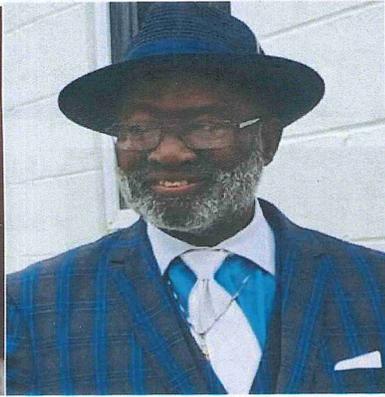
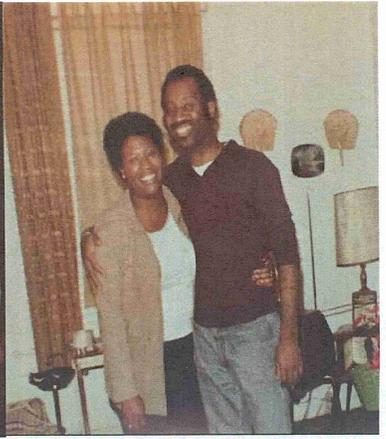
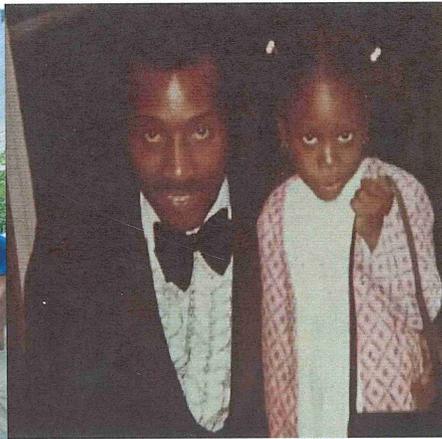
How do you want to be remembered?

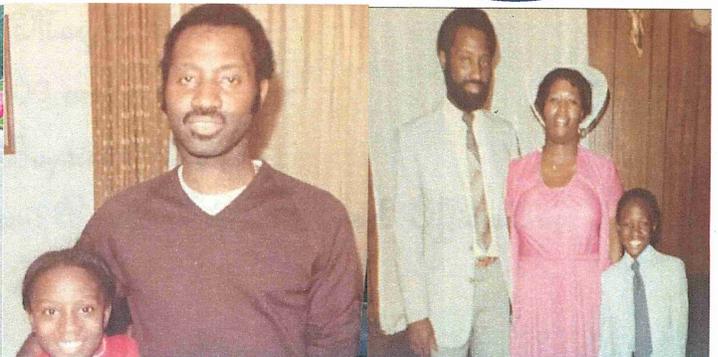
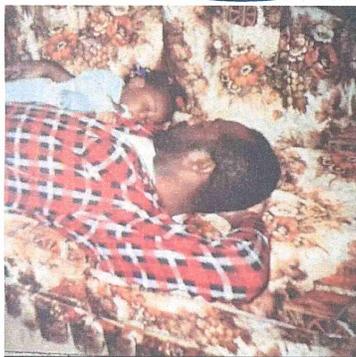
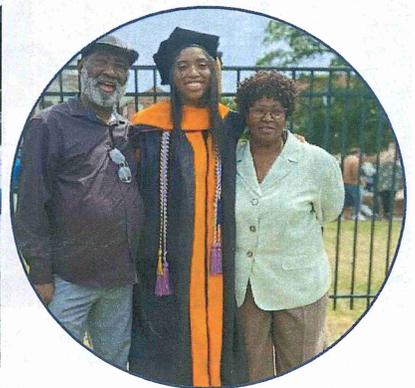
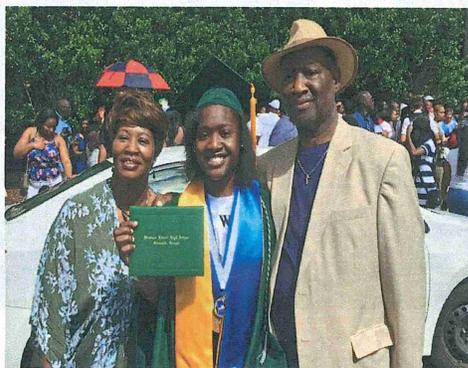
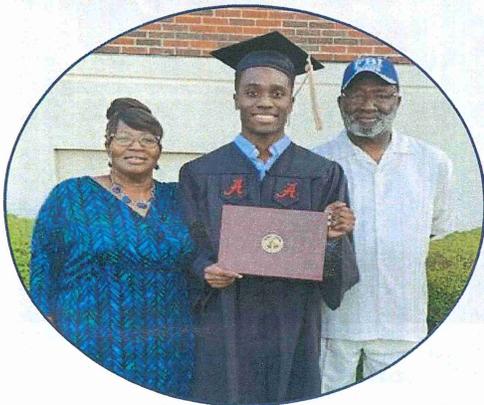
I would really want to be remembered as a person that cared for or had compassion for others, no matter who they may be. I would want my children to remind their children that I did all I could for them in raising them. I would love to be remembered as a person who believes in family values. And finally, I would want to be remembered as a follower of the most-high God, one who believes in spreading the Good News.

What would you consider your motto?

The phrase that I would consider to be my motto is "God is not the head of my life, He is my life". I came up with that phrase when I finally answered the call to go into the ministry. People would always get up and say, "Giving honor to God, who is the head of my life" but didn't live like He was the head just got next to me. I thought and prayed and then came to the conclusion that God is really more than the head of my life. And if He is more than the head of my life, what is He? There was just something missing from the equation. They would say, "He is the head of their life" but their lives don't revolve around Him. If something or someone is the head you would do all you could to please them. My wife and family are very dear to me so I've always tried my best to put them first, above everything else but God. If He is not the head of my life, what is He then? He is more than the head of my life, He is my life. That includes everything. Look at this. If He is the head of your life, why do you not take the time to stop and give Him thanks when He wakes you in the morning and allows you to even breathe his precious air? We say, He is the head of our lives when in actuality Satan and the things of the world are the head of your life. The world and things of the world come first and maybe God can take a distant second or third. "He is not the head of my life; He is my life" and I try to live each day of this life that He had given for Him and through Him.







Pallbearers:

Nephews and Cousins

Flower Attendants:

Nieces and Cousins

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