



J. O. Brown

September 7, 1932 - August 26, 2014

J.O. Brown passed away Tuesday, August 26, 2014. He was born as an only child to Jesse O. Seaton Brown and Mary Francis Burris Brown in Franklin, KY on September 7, 1932. He moved with his parents to Claremore, OK in 1946 and graduated from Claremore High School in 1950. While attending Wichita University, he joined the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, where he served four years and then was in the active Reserves for another 10 years.

He married Donna Sue Cook on July 16, 1954, and together they reared their three daughters in Tulsa, OK, where he completed his education at the University of Tulsa. He was Manager of the Data Processing Department of Tulsa Public Schools and then Vice President of Data Processing at Oklahoma Blue Cross Blue Shield before relocating to Albuquerque in 1982. He retired in 1987 from Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Mexico, where he was Vice President of Data Processing and Computer Services, and has been financial officer and treasurer of Leeco Grounds Management, Inc. for the past 27 years.

As a member of Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, he served in several ministries and in helping the Business Administrator with financial duties. He and his wife also enjoyed worshipping with their family at Hope Evangelical Free Church and later moved their membership to Hope, yet love their many friends at both fellowships.

He enjoyed reading and has an extensive library on The American

Revolutionary War, Civil War, World War I and II, by Christian authors on the history of the Christian church and commentaries on books of the Holy Bible. He and his wife enjoyed traveling and have done extensive traveling around the world and in the USA to visit their daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

He was a loyal friend and employee, and a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Everyone who knew him admired the combination of kindness and integrity that his life represented.

He is preceded in death by his parents, and is survived by his wife; three daughters, Danene Brown Vincent-Gray and her husband Gregg Gray of Rogers, AR, Tresha Gayle Brown Vogt and her husband Rick Vogt of Portland, OR, and Melissa Anne Brown Funnell and her husband Dale Funnell of Albuquerque; 15 grandchildren; 15-great-grandchildren; and many loving nephews and nieces from his wife's large family.

Memorial Services will be held Tuesday, September 2, 2014, 11:00 a.m., at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy Rd. NE. Interment will take place at a later date at Santa Fe National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Samaritan's Purse, P.O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607 or Ecclesia College, AACC Conference, 9653 Nations Dr., Springdale, AR 72762 or www.gofundme.com.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **2**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Heights Cumberland Presbyterian
8600 Academy Rd. NE
Albuquerque, NM

Tribute Wall



“ *French Funerals created a Tribute Video in memory of J. O. Brown*



FRENCH Funerals & Cremations - September 02, 2014 at 12:53 PM

DB

The video of JO's life was beautifully done. Thank you to French Mortuary for putting this together for us.

Donna Brown - September 03, 2014 at 10:44 AM

SA

Beautiful video!! I cried and cried!!!

sara - September 03, 2014 at 02:46 PM

PS

“ *What an example of a Godly man. !!! It was a real blessing to be inspired by J O for many years. Donna, God sure knows how to pick our mates doesn't he?? HE knows what we need better than we do. I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God.*

Pam Smythe - September 08, 2014 at 11:18 AM

ST

“ *Pappah was my hero! He was one of the kindest, gentlest souls I know! He loved his wife and family dearly, and he loved Jesus! I am looking forward to the day I can give my Pappah a great big hug!!! Xoxo Sara*

sara Thomas - September 03, 2014 at 12:24 AM

DB

The floral arrangement was absolutely beautiful. Thank you so very much!

Donna Brown - September 03, 2014 at 10:42 AM

DB

The floral arrangement was absolutely beautiful. Oh sweet and thoughtful of all of you...thank you so much!

Donna Brown - September 06, 2014 at 04:08 PM

ES

“ We greatly appreciate knowing J.O, through Hope Church. He added so much to our Bible Study. J.O had a great sense of humor, and It was always a joy to talk with him. We are grateful to know he is in Heaven, in the immediate presence of Jesus, and we will see him there, forever and ever rejoicing!
With our love and prayers,
Einar and Susan

Einar and Susan - September 01, 2014 at 02:46 PM

DB

Thank you Einar and Susan for you sweet comments about JO. He is truly in the presence of Jesus, and I can only imagine that he was given a glimpse of the loving celebration of his life that was held yesterday!hhhhhhh

Donna Brown - September 03, 2014 at 10:41 AM

DG

“ Danene Gray purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of J. O. Brown.



Danene Gray - September 01, 2014 at 10:40 AM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of J. O. Brown.*



September 01, 2014 at 09:45 AM



“ *To my sweet Aunt Donna and cousins and family. I'm so sorry for the loss of your precious husband and father our Uncle JO Brown. He was such a love and a true man of God. He has been a constant in our lives as long as I can remember and will be truly missed. The only thing that allows us the ability to rejoice is the knowing that he has won the "the race" and will meet us there on that great day! I love you all. Debbie*

Debbie Miles - September 01, 2014 at 08:24 AM



The beautiful colorful floral arrangement looked great on the altar table with Uncle J. O.'s picture. Thank you to your family and also to my dear sweet sister Hazel!

Donna Brown - September 06, 2014 at 04:10 PM



“ *To the family of Mr. J.O. Brown, you have my deepest sympathy, may the God of comfort, comfort the family during the days ahead. (2 Corinthians 1:3,4).*

Linda - August 31, 2014 at 11:42 PM

LA

“ One memory I have of Papah is when we visited Albuquerque, and it had rained. When Papah was praying over dinner one night, he thanked God for the rain and began crying. I (being an Oregonian) was surprised to see him cry over what I thought was a small thing. Now that I think back to it, that moment gave me a glimpse into his heart. He really understood God's provision for us, and was so thankful for it. It also revealed what a sensitive heart he has. A trait that has been passed down through his daughters, grandchildren, and even great grandchildren. I will miss him, but I am so excited to see him again one day.

Laura - August 31, 2014 at 10:28 PM

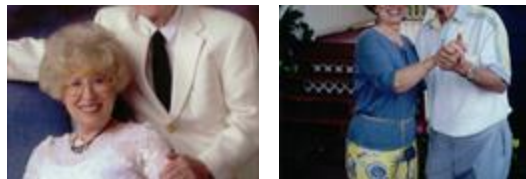
JS

“ What a legacy J O leaves with his three beautiful daughters and the numbers of grandchildren and great grandchildren. I enjoyed reading the obituary and seeing his steadfastness and work ethic in his life. We bridge buddies will miss seeing his smiling face and gentle comments when we would play their Donna's house. May the Holy Spirit give comfort to all of the family and friends.

Jean Ann Swan - August 31, 2014 at 06:57 PM

DG

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Danene Brown Gray - August 31, 2014 at 03:31 PM



“ One thing that was very clear about JO is that he held his love for Jesus, Donna and their three daughters very deep in his heart. This came out most strongly at those special events where JO would be given the spotlight to share something.

He would begin by speaking of his gratitude to God and then he would become overwhelmed with emotion. At that moment he would let us see it again; a deep and consuming love for God and those entrusted to him. And in this way he helped those present understand the heart of our Father God.

Rick Vogt - August 31, 2014 at 11:06 AM

DB

Thank you, Rick, for your sweet comments about J O's love for Jesus, our daughters and me. The Lord loves a sensitive spirit, and J O couldn't pray without tears flowing from his eyes and his love for Jesus. He prayed daily for little Naomi, and always with tears.

Donna Brown - September 03, 2014 at 10:49 AM

EM

“ Please accept my condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. Take comfort in knowing that our heavenly Creator well soon remove all pain, sorrow, and death forever! May this promise as recorded in Revelation 21 : 3,4 help you gain the strength and inner peace to cope with the days ahead. Philippians 4 : 13. jw.org

Emanuel - August 30, 2014 at 10:20 AM

DB

Thank you, Emanuel, for your comforting comments along with those precious scriptures.

Donna Brown - September 03, 2014 at 10:50 AM

JC

“ On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.

Joel Chavez - August 29, 2014 at 03:00 PM

DB

Thank you so much for all of your help, Joel! French Family of Companies could not have been more compassionate and helpful. Please express the thanks from my family and especially from me.

Donna Brown - September 06, 2014 at 04:12 PM