



Joyce Nell Brown

November 24, 2025

Joyce Nell Brown departed this life on November 24, 2025 at the age of 79. Joyce Nell Brown, born October 25, 1946, in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, was a deeply loved and respected figure in New Orleans. She dedicated many years of service to City Hall and proudly helped lead one of the city's first Black-owned construction companies. Joyce cherished her family, and some of her most joyful moments were spent playing with her great-grandson, Ace R. Evans. She treasured every second of the time God allowed her to share with us. Joyce is the loving daughter of Jonas Hall and Willie Nell Brown. Beloved Mother of Douglas M. Evans, Jr. and Yuana Evans. Sister of Sharrel D. Nix. She is also survived by (1) grandchild Antoine R. Evans, (1) great grandchild Ace R. Evans, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a Funeral Service Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave, New Orleans, LA 70125 on Friday, December 12, 2025 at 10:00 am. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am. Interment: will follow at Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangement by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook. Funeral can be live streamed @ www.facebook.com/D.W.RhodesFuneralHome/live

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70122

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue
3933 Washington Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70125
(504) 822-7162
<https://www.rhodesfuneral.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TT

“ *The GCAPP Team purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



The GCAPP Team - December 11, 2025 at 12:32 PM

TT

“ *The GCAPP Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce Nell Brown.*

The GCAPP Team - December 11, 2025 at 12:32 PM

AH

“ *Akia Hogan purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



Akia Hogan - December 11, 2025 at 05:47 AM

DF

“ *Dana Fulton and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



Dana Fulton and family - December 09, 2025 at 09:41 PM

NE

“ *Nathaly Espinoza purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



Nathaly Espinoza - December 09, 2025 at 12:37 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



December 08, 2025 at 09:28 PM

JC

“ *Jerry clark purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Joyce Nell Brown.*



Jerry clark - December 08, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JC

“ *Jerry clark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce Nell Brown.*

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