

***"When I Must Leave You"***

*When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears  
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;  
And for my sake and in my name  
Live on and do all things the same,  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer  
And I, in turn, will comfort you and hold you near;  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

*-Helen Steiner Rice-*

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*United Methodist Women*

***Active Pall Bearers***

*United Methodist Men*

*Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity*

*Unique Lodge # 85*



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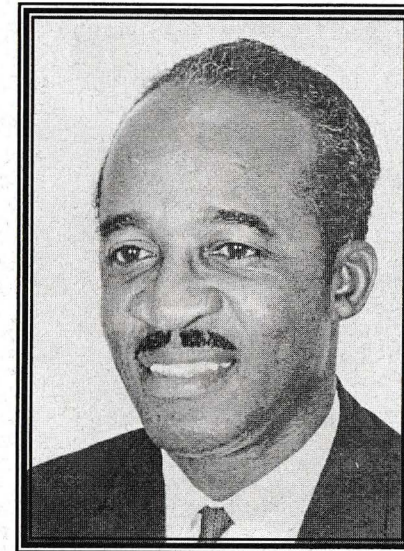


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***A CELEBRATION OF LIFE***

***MR. BERNARD LEE BROWN, SR.***

***\*1920~2008\****



***Thursday, November 6, 2008  
12:00 noon***

***Simpson-Gillespie United Methodist Church  
3545 Beatties Ford Road  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28216***

***The Reverend Walter Pegues  
Pastor/Officiating***

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Prelude*

*The Words Of Grace*

*The Minister*

*Greeting*

*Hymn*

*"God Of Grace And God Of Glory"*

No. 577

*Scripture Readings*

*Old Testament*

*Psalms 23*

*New Testament*

*John 13:1-7*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Hymn*

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

No. 110

*Eulogy*

*Rev. Walter Pegues*

*Hymn*

*"Blessed Assurance"*

No. 369

*Recessional*

*"For All The Saints"*

No. 711

*Interment*

*Oaklawn Park Cemetery  
Charlotte, North Carolina*

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*The Family wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation for your many prayers, thoughts, and deeds shown during the illness and bereavement of our loved one.*

*The Family*

## OBITUARY

*Mr. Bernard Lee Brown, Sr. died on October 31, 2008. He was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, son of the late John Edward and Annie Davidson Brown. He was married to the late Lucille H. Brown.*

*Bernard was a graduate of Second Ward High School, Johnson C. Smith University, and Columbia University. He was also a staff Sergeant in World War II.*

*Mr. Brown was a professor at Friendship Junior College, Livingston College, Johnson C. Smith University and Central Piedmont Community College where he retired.*

*Bernard was a life member of Simpson Gillespie United Methodist Church, Unique Lodge# 85, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Presidents Club of Johnson C. Smith University and the National Retirement Teachers Association.*

*Mr. Brown will be remembered as the best father ever, a very strong man and mentor.*

*Bernard is survived by a son, Bernard L. Brown, Jr.; a daughter, Margaret Denise Brown, a grandson, Derrick Brown, sister-in-law, Elaine T. Brown, a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.*

*Sometimes when I'm talking with my friends,  
some of them will talk about their dads,  
and while they complain or brag,  
I just think of you--  
the sound of your voice,  
the simple ways  
you show your pride in me--  
all the things you've done that make you  
way above the rest. Usually I won't  
say anything... I'll just smile and  
think to myself how glad I am  
that I've got you for my dad.  
Love Denise (June 17, 1990)*