



## Kenneth M. Brown Sr.

June 22, 1962 - September 1, 2022

Kenneth M. Brown Sr. of West Haven, CT departed this mortal life September 1, 2022. He was born June 22, 1962 in Long Island, New York to Eric J. Brown and Maggie Nelson-Staggers.

Throughout Kenneth's life journey, he worked hard to provide for his family so that they would have the tools needed to be successful. He lost his mother at a young age, so he had to grow up quickly to ensure his younger siblings had what they needed. His life experiences were his lessons that he shared with his children and siblings often. He wanted more for his siblings and children, so he stressed the value of education, knowledge and the importance of hard work. He was a role model and a leader in every room he stepped in. His presence added value and strength.

Kenneth worked at Yale University in Calhoun Dining Hall for over thirty years as a chef. He loved cooking in the fast pace kitchen. He believed in fairness and what was right. It was no surprise that he was a force during the strike of 1996 at Yale University. Kenneth served as the union steward during the strike and negotiated with university leaders for better benefits for the staff in all dining halls. He also worked the summers at JCC Camp Kingswood in Bridgeton, Maine as a chef, where he would bring his children. Kenny Jr. loved the camp. His sisters would always tease him that his vernacular would change after a day or two of being with friends in the cabins. Kenneth would share the biggest grin whenever his children shared an accomplishment. He bragged about them often. He taught them the power of prayer and showed

through example what it means to truly love Christ. Through daily bible readings and explanations of bible principles on Love and forgiveness, Kenneth wanted to ensure his children understood what it took to develop personal faith and share the love of Christ with all people. Each life experience generated a lesson that will forever be engrained in them. His dedication to his faith and sharing the love of Christ was honored when he was appointed to serve as a Deacon.

Kenneth is survived by his five daughters Erin Brown-Summers, Erika Brown-Hickerson (Rashee), Ebonee Brown (Brandon), Whitney Nichols-Haywood (Steven) and Miya Brown, his grandchildren, his brothers Eric Brown (Bernice), Anthony Brown, David Flewellen-Brown, Roosevelt Bowen, his sisters Barbara Dupree, Karen Brown, and Sharon Brown (Devon).

He will be missed not only by those listed but a host of family and friends who loved him more than words can express.

Kenneth is predeceased by his beloved wife Sherri Brown, his father Eric J. Brown, his parents Luther and Maggie Staggers, his son Kenneth M. Brown Jr., his sister Teresa Bowen, his nieces Colleen Brown, and Kiana Brown.

# Cemetery Details

## Hamden Plains Cemetery

Hamden, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

SEP 13. 5:00 PM (ET)

St. Matthews UFWB Church  
400 Dixwell Ave.  
New Haven, CT 06511

## Funeral Service

SEP 13. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth M. Brown Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *Kenneth was a gentle giant with a heart of gold. May you rest in the presence of the Lord. Your beautiful bride is truly missed. She was an angel of love. Sending my heartfelt blessings to the family.*

*Tonia Howard*

**Tonia Howard** - September 14, 2022 at 07:45 AM



“ *Uncle Kenny you will truly be missed. You were a great man and Uncle in my tough times after my dad passed and when my girls were born you and Auntie Sherri always made sure we we're ok. Even in your time of struggle you still made sure everyone was ok and provide life lessons to us. Praying for all the girls and grandkids and family.*



*Love,*

*Nicole Atkins & family*

**Nicole Atkins** - September 13, 2022 at 02:45 PM



“ *A Great Man and husband and friend to all who knew him. My condolences*

**Steven Benjamin** - September 12, 2022 at 11:05 PM

DO

“ Also remember Kenneth brother Ricky all lived on the corner of Dixwell Ave. and Munson St. in New Haven, CT for many years. RIP my brother until we meet again 🙏 Donald of Forest Park, GA

Donaldwhitted - September 12, 2022 at 10:04 PM

KF

“ Kelvan Fitzpatrick lit a candle in memory of Kenneth M. Brown Sr.



Kelvan Fitzpatrick - September 12, 2022 at 06:16 AM

DO

“ Yes also remember I would see Kenneth and Bernard Jones and Terry berit do mechanic work on cars in Bernard back yard also Kenneth friend john nelson up stair neborba in same building where Kenneth and mother brothers dee dee. Anthony. sisters Karen.sha sha. Treasa. lived stay blessed family please remember god knows when to call us home 🙏 Donald forest park.ga.

Donaldwhitted - September 11, 2022 at 07:47 PM

DJ

Kennedy Brown was a positive brother. I grew up with him and his family and we worked at Yale for many years over 30 but he was a good man, husband and friend. May he RIP in peace love you brother!!!

Donald Greene Jr - September 19, 2022 at 09:26 PM

DO

“ Donaldwhitted lit a candle in memory of  
Kenneth M. Brown Sr.



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**Donaldwhitted** - September 10, 2022 at 09:29 PM

AS

“ Eric and Family I am so deeply sorry for the  
loss of your brother Kenny. I pray that God will  
strengthen you and your family during this  
extremely difficult time and I pray that God will  
give you all Peace and Comfort.



*Alicia Stevens  
Concord NC*

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**Alicia Stevens** - September 10, 2022 at 09:06 PM

JD

“ To the Family  
My love thoughts and prayers are with you at  
this difficult time. May God surround you with  
the love of Family ,Friends and words of  
comfort to get you thru.Hold on to the  
memories that God has blessed you with. May his faith in God be  
your light of direction.i will never forget the conversations we had  
when he came to the Credit Union  
Much Love ❤️ and prayers to the Family  
Joyce Diggs



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**Joyce Diggs** - September 10, 2022 at 12:28 PM

RY

“ I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the "Brown" family during this difficult time. Rest Easy. BIG FELLA.



Roe Young - September 10, 2022 at 03:53 AM

AP

“ Angela Pemberton sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth M. Brown Sr.



Angela Pemberton - September 09, 2022 at 07:24 PM

AP

“ Earth has know sorrow that heaven can't heal. Deacon Kenneth Brown my favorite cousin you will be miss but never forgotten you checking on me and my husband and I'm checking up on you but never be forgotten On Facebook sharing you and my Husband birthday on the same June 22, then after that we share Kenneth sr. Birthday and my birthday On February 4, Me and Husband hearts are broken he and I was lost for words talking with you about our family you love my Dad singing and me singing Saying we're you getting that from voice cuz know more pain talking pills anymore also watching you cooking and taking care of your plants oh I never got my plant you promise me . Give me my flowers we're I can smell them RIP cuz this not goodbye this is I see you on thee other shore . Deacon Jackie Pemberton and Minister Angela Pemberton We Love You .



Angela Pemberton - September 09, 2022 at 07:19 PM