



## Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown

November 19, 1955 - December 5, 2020

Snellville/Savannah - Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown, 65 husband of Mrs. Carolyn Brown entered eternal rest on Saturday, December 5, 2020 at Eastside Medical Center in Snellville, Georgia. Deacon Zimbabwe (Albert Daniel) Brown was born in Statesboro, GA on November 19, 1956 to the late Roy Brown Sr. and Annie Mae Stewart Brown. He grew up in Savannah, GA and attended Savannah Public Schools. In 1993, he met the love of his life Carolyn Reynolds. In 1996, they united in Holy Matrimony and became a loving blended family. By the grace of God, the family continuously flourished.

Zim was a graduate of Sophronia M. Tompkins High School, Class of 1974 where he played cornerback on the football team and was a proud Wolverine. He attended Knoxville College in Tennessee where he joined the brotherhood of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity developing lifelong friends. In 1996, he converted and dedicated his life to Christ and joined Bryant Temple Apostolic Church of the Living God. He faithfully served Christ as a brother in the church. He later moved to the Atlanta area and became a member of God's True Worshipers Church in the Lord Jesus under the leadership of Bishop I.E. Bryant and Christ Anointed Apostolic Church of the Living God under the leadership of Elder Robert Reynolds; and continued to serve as a faithful brother. In 2009, he was ordained a deacon at Christ Anointed Church where he faithfully served until his health minimized some of his abilities.

Zim was well-known and loved in his West Savannah community. For many

years he inspired the young boys in West Savannah as a football coach for the West Savannah Whippers while winning a few championship games. As an active member in the community, he served as a Founder of the Annual Homeboy Reunion. For over 17 years, he joyfully worked at Candler Hospital as a physical therapist where he left memorable impressions on many patients. He later worked at the GA Department of Corrections and also provided private security details. He diligently and faithfully provided for his household until medical illnesses led to his disability and early retirement. As a sports fan, you could talk to him about many sports teams, past and present. He had an amazing ability to remember game details and statistics. He loved being with his friends and family. Zim never met a stranger; he was full of fun and laughter.

After years of faithful service, the Lord called him home - from labor to rest. He is preceded in death by his parents, two brothers Clifford and Roy Jr. (Deborah), two sisters Barbara (Joe) and Annie Lizzie (George). He leaves to celebrate his life, his loving and devoted wife Carolyn; his caring son Stephen (Isha); two gracious daughters Ashley and Courtney; three adorable grandchildren (Zylee, Zoey, and Zayden); three dedicated brothers Charles, Aaron (Angie), and Robert (Estelle); two amazing sisters JoAnn (Peter) and Margie (Harold); and a wonderful host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and sisters and brothers in Christ.

Social distancing and the wearing of a mask is required for the safety of everyone attending the service.

Public Viewing: FRIDAY/ 11AM - 2PM & 5PM - 8PM

# Cemetery Details

## Bonaventure Cemetery

330 Bonaventure Road  
Savannah, GA 31406

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

DEC 11. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Sexton- Hall Funeral Home  
5 Birkenhead Road  
(21 South Coastal Highway)  
Port Wentworth, GA 31407  
(912) 964-4336  
sextonhall@att.net  
<https://sextonhallfh.com>

## Public Viewing

DEC 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Graveside Service

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DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bonaventure Cemetery  
330 Bonaventure Road  
Savannah, GA 31406

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.*



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December 17, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ *I worked with Zim for the years he proudly enjoyed in Physical Therapy along with All Purvis. They brought a joy in healing. Zim loved his job. I remember when he met Carolyn and it was obvious there was a love between them. I truly missed him when he left Candler to pursue better endeavors. I kept in touch with him by Facebook. An Angel of a man who truly loved people. Rest in Heaven my friend.*

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**Roberta Watkins Walker** - December 13, 2020 at 11:21 AM



*My humble sincere condolences to Carolyn and the Brown Family. John and I have a close relationship with the Family. John & Roberta Roberta Walker 🙏🙏🙏❤️*

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**Roberta Watkins Walker** - December 13, 2020 at 11:25 AM

CB

“ Zim was a great listener a wonderful person to work with and devoted to his church. Zim will truly be missed by all his co-worker and the company, Zim always Sleep on Zim you have finished your course, you have finished the race,

Catherine L. Bracy  
Account Manager  
Priority1Security



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Catherine Bracy - December 12, 2020 at 12:13 PM

GC

“ Zim was the first person I met when I was working at candler hospital back in the 80s. We became instant friends along with Al Purvis. The life long memories we shared at work and during his coaching days are forever in my heart. My sincere condolences to the Brown family. May God comfort you in your time of loss. I'm going to miss my brother. Gregoire McGirt

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Gregoire McGirt. aka Cutty - December 12, 2020 at 09:03 AM

SL

“ Rip Zim Going To Miss You Bro.See You The Other Side

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Sly - December 11, 2020 at 11:56 PM

MS

“ Zim was a great man and friend. Our great days was under the tree in Bartow. Will miss you my friend. Job well done. Ms.Kitty



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Ms.Kitty - December 11, 2020 at 07:12 AM

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“ *Extending my prayers and condolences to the family of Deacon Zimbabwe Brown. My memories of Zim go back to our days at Tompkins High School. He was a really cool brother and I was glad to have known him. His race is complete and his journey over on this side. He now resides in a place where we'll never grow old. May God bless the family as you endure this season of temporary separation. But please remember, weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning.* +Matthew M Odum



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**+Matthew Odum** - December 11, 2020 at 12:59 AM

HO

“ *Hermenia Olds lit a candle in memory of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown*



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**Hermenia olds** - December 10, 2020 at 10:40 PM

DP

“ *Dee And John Macklin From Phila lit a candle in memory of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown*



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**Dee and John Macklin from Phila** - December 10, 2020 at 02:29 PM

IB

“ Well! I know that we lost a good football coach as well as a family man but God gain him in glory. He will truly be missed.



Isaac Brown - December 09, 2020 at 06:19 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.



December 09, 2020 at 05:06 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.



December 09, 2020 at 04:41 PM

JM

“ Joelene Campbell Moore lit a candle in memory of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown



Joelene Campbell Moore - December 09, 2020 at 03:42 PM

NH

“ I'm down right now Unc. so I can't come to see you off! You know how much I love you! You will forever be in my heart! Thank you for all the lessons learned! I will continue to stay strong and do what I need to do to get back on my feet! I know Mommy, Granny, Granddaddy, Lizzie, and Bear were there to welcome you in! You fought the good fight Unc! Rest well! love you!!!! Can't hold back my tears, but I'll be alright!

ELL

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**Nephew Elroy Herman** - December 09, 2020 at 03:38 PM

JC

“ *Jayo Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown*



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**Jayo Carpenter** - December 09, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.*



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December 09, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.*



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December 09, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ *Mr. & Mrs John Williams Jr purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.*



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**Mr. & Mrs John Williams Jr** - December 09, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ *Tammie Jones lit a candle in memory of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown*



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**Tammie Jones** - December 09, 2020 at 09:24 AM



*Brotha Zim, you will be deeply missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. Sincerely Tammie M. Jones*

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**Tammie Jones** - December 09, 2020 at 09:26 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family. Praying for each one of you during this time. LaQuanna Nelson and family*

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**laQuanna Nelson** - December 09, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ *Sending comfort and Healing Vibes to the family. It's been so long I barely ra-member anybody's name, I apologize. To the family Im sending my condolences and hugs. My Daddy and Uncle Zim were the greatest of friends working at Candler. Distance from city to city came in but bonds are forever 🤝 I'm forever Grateful to have known great men like Uncle Zim. Grew up calling him that from day one. Love you all ❤️* ”

Maurice Harley - December 09, 2020 at 06:57 AM



❤️ *From Asante Yisrael*

Maurice Harley - December 09, 2020 at 06:57 AM

SS

“ *Our prayers going up for our family, my first cousin. Sad but God knows best and He will see us through this valley experience. Rest in peace. Condolences to my family.* ”



Sharon Stewart - December 08, 2020 at 10:53 PM

EB

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album* ”



Edwin Bailey - December 08, 2020 at 10:12 PM

EB

“ This is the guy that started me playing FOOTBALL,ZIM and MB Middleton,For the West Savannah Whippers,I was in the 4th grade playing with Jr high guys and my 2 homeboys looked out for me and my little brother.I am writing this with tears in my eyes because all that I got accomplished in FOOTBALL started with those 2 guys and the Whippers,walking every Saturday morning to Daffin park,and Coke field and then back to Flamingo diamond,And yes we had some heluva fist fights along the way in Hitchvillage and Yamacraw and long 37th street.Those guys were my. Big brothers and demanded that I play hard and shows toughness even at 8 years old.THANK YOU my brothers and thank you ZIM😭😭😭☐😭☐  
The Coventry street BOMBERS

Edwin Bailey - December 08, 2020 at 09:47 PM

NH

*I'm down right now Unc. so I can't come to see you off! You know how much I love you! You will forever be in my heart! Thank you for all the lessons learned! I will continue to stay strong and do what I need to do to get back on my feet! I know Mommy, Granny, Grandaddy, Lizzie, and Bear were there to welcome you in! You fought the good fight Unc! Rest well love you!!!! Can't hold back my tears, but I'll be alright!*

ELL

Nephew Elroy Herman - December 09, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Deacon Zimbabwe "Zim" Brown.



December 08, 2020 at 09:41 PM

PG

“ Sorry for your loss Atron, just know God make no mistakes

Pastor Jimmie Green - December 08, 2020 at 05:53 PM

SG

“ My Sincere condolences are with the family.



Samuel Duke Golden - December 08, 2020 at 04:05 PM

CB

“ Dad you will be missed. I'm glad we spent thanksgiving & your birthday together. Our memories shall live on forever. I still can't believe we've come to laying you to rest in God's hands. My only comfort is knowing we will meet again. Give love to grandma and uncle Butch! Love u always, your babygirl. I'll continue to "hold it in the road pewey." Lol. Gone but not forgotten. 💔😭😭😭😭💔



Courtney Brown - December 08, 2020 at 03:40 PM