

## Raymond U. Brown, Jr.

September 22, 1930 - December 1, 2011

Raymond U. Brown, Jr., 81, of Piedmont, SC passed away Thursday, December 1, 2011 at his home.

Born in Spartanburg, SC he was the son of the late Raymond U. Brown, Sr. and the late Ellen Gilliam Brown. Mr. Brown was a Korean era US Navy veteran; he was a retired Auditor for Wicks International, he was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of East Park Baptist Church where he was a deacon and the church treasurer.

Surviving is his wife of 58 years Frances McMinn Brown; a daughter, Elisa B. White and her husband Barry; a son, Raymond U. Brown, III and wife Brynda; two grandchildren, Erica Leigh White and William Alexander White and a great granddaughter, Chloe.

Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock Monday morning in The Howze Mortuary Chapel with burial to follow in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, Spartanburg, SC.

The family will receive friends from 2 until 4 Sunday afternoon at The Howze Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to Crossroads Group Home for Girls, P.O. Box 14939, Greenville, SC 29610 or the Pelzer Rescue Squad, 125 N. Hwy. 20, Pelzer, SC 29669.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Service

DEC 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ I am his granddaughter, and I fondly called him Poppy. I was privileged to get to know him the first 30 years of my life. I am honored to have the best memories to carry with me for the rest of my life. I couldn't have asked for better grandfathers than I had. I loved both of my grandfathers more than anyone could possibly know. I was, and still am, a granddad's girl. Christmas, Poppy's favorite part of the year, will never be the same. I always looked forward to always giving him his basket of books, a tin can of Snickers, and a box of Turtles candy.##imported-begin##Erica White##imported-end##

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October 13, 2012 at 09:21 PM



“ To: Mrs. Frances Brown

*I worked with Ray in the internal audit department of Wickes Companies Inc. As you know, Wickes had many divisions - Lumber, Sequoia Supply, Toy World, Wickes Furniture and Wickes Lumber, etc. Ray trained me in auditing the company's Howard Brothers Discount store chain.*

*I remember a few things about Ray - (1) He was a real gentleman that treated everyone with respect; (2) He always looked like the CEO - sharply dressed and he never took off his suit jacket when he was working; (3) He liked to hum while he worked and respectfully and with a fatherly bent called any females at the company he was auditing "Hun"; (4) He smoked like a chimney - until he quit and he never drank alcohol.*

*Ray was a great guy and I'm sure he's dearly missed by those that were close to him. I left Wickes in 1992 and I'm not sure how much longer Ray worked there.*

*Please accept my deepest sympathies over your loss. May Ray rest in peace forever.##imported-begin##Mike Costoff##imported-end##*

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December 24, 2011 at 02:24 PM



“ *Well done article that. I'll make sure to use it wilsey.##imported-begin##Eliza##imported-end##*

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December 13, 2011 at 09:28 AM



“ *RIP Brother. Francis and family, may God comfort you in your loss. Raymond and I grew up together in Spartanburg, high school graduation, USN service meeting in San Diego fall of 49. He taught me to tie my first necktie.##imported-begin##Bill Powell##imported-end##*

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December 11, 2011 at 06:33 PM



“ *Bobby and I are so sorry to hear about your loss. May God comfort you during these days.*

*Bobby & Barbara Harbert##imported-begin##Barbara Harbert##imported-end##*

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December 07, 2011 at 10:02 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your fathers passing. Will keep you and your family in prayer.##imported-begin##Mrs. Faye Smith Robinson##imported-end##*

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December 06, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ *I regret that I was unable to attend the funeral today, but I wanted to let you know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.*

*Much love,  
Dot Bearden##imported-begin##Darth Bearden##imported-end##*

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December 05, 2011 at 06:49 PM



“ thoughts and prayers are with you Raymond, Brenda and family.##imported-begin##John Jarvis##imported-end##

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December 05, 2011 at 05:24 PM



“ Raymond,  
I'm sorry about your dad.  
Always,  
Bannie##imported-begin##Bannie Eads##imported-end##

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December 05, 2011 at 03:25 PM



“ Raymond,  
I am so sorry to hear about your daddys passing. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Love ya buddy!##imported-begin##Jeanette Ramey##imported-end##

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December 05, 2011 at 12:31 PM



“ Frances and family, my heart breaks for you. My Dad loved Raymond so much. He especially loved telling me about how he and Raymond beat the " Neal boys" on the golf course! What fun times they had. We'll always be grateful for the love and care you showed Daddy as he was dying, and for the way you helped Mother after he was gone. You all are in our prayers.  
Love,Phyllis##imported-begin##Phyllis Barnhill Flynn##imported-end##

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December 04, 2011 at 02:41 PM



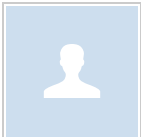
“ BO,

*RAYMOND WAS MY FAVORITE COUSIN ON MY DAD'S SIDE OF THE FAMILY. HE ALWAYS BROUGHT A SMILE TO MY FACE. WHEN WE WERE TOGETHER, WE HAD FUN REMEMBERING OUR EARLIER YEARS AND TIMES SPENT TOGETHER. RAYMOND'S DAD, MY UNCLE RAYMOND, WAS ALSO A SPECIAL FAVORITE OF MINE. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU, YOUR MOM AND ELISA. BE THANKFUL FOR YOUR WONDERFUL MEMORIES. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.*

*LANE AND KATHY MORGAN  
506 DYE DRIVE  
SENECA, SC 29678###imported-begin##KATHRYN BROWN  
MORGAN###imported-end##*

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December 04, 2011 at 12:03 AM



“ *Frances, Elisa, and Boffie,*

*I just learned of Raymond's passing. My heart is heavy and I am so sad. I pray that you will feel God's comfort as you grieve for your husband and father. He was a special person in my life, as were you, Frances. I am glad that I got to see you both last summer when I was home. Mr. Brown looked healthy and was happy and friendly, as he always was. I know you will miss him.*

*Sincerely,  
Barbara###imported-begin##Barbara Fulmer Gary###imported-end##*

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December 03, 2011 at 09:05 PM



“ *Frances and Family,  
Raymond was always there for all family events. He was such a  
kind and solid man. The extended family will miss him.*

*Rhonda Brown Amick##imported-begin##Rhonda Amick (Milton  
Brown's daughter)##imported-end##*

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December 03, 2011 at 07:57 PM



“ *Bo & Brynda, We were very sorry to hear about your father. Please  
know our love, thoughts and prayers are with you both and your  
families as you celebrate the many memories you have of your  
father. We are thinking of you all at this time. Blessings to you my  
friend!*

*Your friends, Paul and Brenda Patterson and your WOODCRAFT  
family##imported-begin##Paul & Brenda Patterson##imported-  
end##*

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December 03, 2011 at 02:38 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your familys loss.##imported-begin##jimmy  
Waters##imported-end##*

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December 03, 2011 at 10:33 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You have had a wonderful life together. Your family always made me feel like a part of it and I appreciate it so much. Love you all

Susan##imported-begin##Susan Short##imported-end##

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December 03, 2011 at 10:28 AM



“ Raymond,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you find comfort in the memories you have of your Father and in the love of your family and friends.##imported-begin##Stephanie Dietrich-Smith##imported-end##

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December 03, 2011 at 06:55 AM



“ Raymaond, So sorry to learn about your Dad. My thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family at this time.  
Mark Hutto##imported-begin##Mark Hutto##imported-end##

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December 02, 2011 at 09:07 PM



“ Raymond and family,I am so sorry for the loss of your father. You and your family will be in our prayers at this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Sharon Belk##imported-end##

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December 02, 2011 at 05:01 PM



“ *Frances and family: I called my Mother moments ago to tell her I was driving to Greenville to wish her a Happy 87th Birthday and she told me that she had just learned that Raymond passed away yesterday. I want you to know that our entire family cherishes all the memories of you and Raymond at East Park, on the golf course, as my Training Union teachers, and as close personal friends. I also recall how helpful and attentive you and Raymond were when my Dad died. I am a better man by knowing Raymond and your family, and I expect he and my Dad played 18 hole of golf to day and at ice cream in Heaven today (or did something even better than that. Please know that our prayers are with you. Mom is basically confined to a wheel chair and has to have oxygen to assist her breathing all the time, and she can't travel well enough to come to the funeral, but she wants you to know her love, thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time. Butch Barnhill##imported-begin##Edward D. ("Butch") Barnhill, Jr.##imported-end##*

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December 02, 2011 at 04:35 PM



“ *Raymond, like his father, had a wit about him, and was a hard working man. When you talked with him, he always seemed interested in you, and rarely tried to revert the conversation back about himself. I suppose that quality is one of the reasons folks liked him so much. But another reason was that he was a man of integrity, and few ever born were more intensely loyal to their family-immediate and extended. a lot of folks will miss this good man very much.##imported-begin##Van brown##imported-end##*

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December 02, 2011 at 02:55 PM



“ Raymond,  
*I have stood where you are today. Please know I am thinking of you.  
Love in Christ##imported-begin##Sharon Hinrichs##imported-  
end##*

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December 02, 2011 at 01:59 PM



“ Raymond,  
*Please accept my sympathy on the loss of your Dad. I am glad he  
got a chance to see your success.*

*Brooks##imported-begin##Brooks Cowles##imported-end##*

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December 02, 2011 at 01:52 PM



“ Bo:  
*I am thinking about you and your family as you prepare the  
celebration of your father's life.*

*As we go thru our lives some of us get to share a long time with our  
parents and other family members and to me 81 years is a treasure  
of memories you will be able to cherish as you think about the times  
you have had with your father.##imported-begin##Michael  
Craig##imported-end##*

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December 02, 2011 at 01:03 PM



“ As a member of the State Board of Funeral Service for the State of  
South Carolina, know as you go through this valley experience, you  
and your family are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Eddie  
Nelson##imported-end##

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December 02, 2011 at 12:41 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking about you and Brynda and your sister and family, and your Mother at this time. We love you. Barbara and Hoyt Starkey###imported-begin###Barbara A, Starkey###imported-end##

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December 02, 2011 at 12:31 PM



“ Oh Brynda and Bo.....We love you guys. Really nothing else to say. Hope we can offer you just a little of the comfort you have brought our family over the years###imported-begin###Mary and Jerry Holmes###imported-end##

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December 02, 2011 at 10:07 AM



“ I was so sad to learn of sweet Raymond's death, he has always been one of my favorites from East Park . Please know that I have been lifting your family up in my prayers all day and night and will continue to in the days ahead . I am so blessed to have known him , he was a very special man ! I Love You All !###imported-begin###Donna Philpot###imported-end##

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December 01, 2011 at 10:42 PM