



Rev. Dr. Alfred Brown

October 19, 1943 - April 24, 2026

Sunrise: October 19, 1943

Sunset: April 24, 2026

Rev. Dr. Alfred Brown was born October 19, 1943 to Sidney Goodson Brown and Doris Anderson. The 4th of 6 children, educated in the Pittsburgh Public school system, he engaged in track and field, and graduated from Schenley High School in 1963. He experienced the call of GOD on his life after a family tragedy, and attended Transylvania Bible College (now Biblical Life Institute) in Freeport PA. He was ordained in the ministry of our LORD by the late Rev. James L. Simmons, Second Baptist Church, McKees Rocks, PA., June 11, 1967.

He completed courses at the International Bible Institute & Seminary in Florida in 1983, Robert Morris College, Penn State; CCAC, and other courses in Addiction Counseling. Also sensing a call to foreign missions, he became Superintendent of Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission in Haiti, West Indies, where he and his wife Audrey L. (married in Pittsburgh, PA., June 28, 1969), spent 5 years supervising churches and schools there.

Ecumenical in belief, he pastored in both the A.M.E. Zion Church Conference (he became an elder under Bishop Charles H. Foggie Oct. 27, 1974); and pastored other Baptist Churches in Pennsylvania. Later he founded "A Closer

Walk Ministries, and Hope Chapel of Pittsburgh, PA." Located at 1028 Chartiers Ave. in the West End, recent problems in the building has resulted in worship services being held over the telephone only. He started the phone ministry during the time of Covid. "A Closer Walk" is non-denominational with a vision to engage in the lives of people in shelters, the homeless, the disenfranchised; (anyone feeling out of place in the established church). In its early years every Sunday he and Audrey picked up people from the Salvation Army (where he worked), and other shelters; to bring them to church until they were assigned a permanent place to live. "A Closer Walk" has a foreign mission arm that reaches out to ministries in other countries, helping them with many critical needs and the building of churches in various communities. Concerned about jobs for African Americans, he and his brother Calvin Clinton, organized the AAWU (African American Workers Union), to assist with employment efforts for them.

After a lengthy illness of heart failure, lung, and kidney problems, he entered into the rest of our LORD, Friday, April 24, 2026. Grieving his passing is his devoted wife, Audrey L., (2) sons, Alfred Jr. and Aaron Andre', (3) great-grandsons, (5) grown grand children: Christina, Devon, Heaven, Kaira, and Victoria; a brother: Calvin Clinton and family of Pittsburgh, PA, a sister: Dianne Sams and family of Acworth, Georgia; cousins, nieces, nephews, and many, many friends. A favorite scripture: John 3:16 - 3:18

There will be a visitation on Friday, May 8, 2026 from 10am until the time of a service at Noon at the Friendship Community Church, 181 Robinson St. Pittsburgh, PA 15213. His interment will follow in Restland Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to one of the below charities that were very special to him.

ANSWERS IN GENESIS

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CHOSEN PEOPLE MINISTRIES

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CORNERSTONE TELEVISION (CTVN)

1 Signal Hill Drive Wall, PA. 15148-1499

FUNCTIONAL LITERACY MINISTRIES OF HAITI (FLM)

I 064 Premier Street - Pgh., PA. 15201

LIFE OUTREACH INT'L

P.O. Box 982000- Fort Worth, Texas 76182-8000

JEWISH VOICE

P.O. Box 558822 - Phoenix AZ 85078

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1815 S.E. Bison Road - Bartlesville, OK 74006-9938

WYCLIFFE ASSOCIATES

11450 Translation Way - Orlando, Fl. 32862

Cemetery Details

Restland Memorial Park

Monroeville, PA 15146

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Friendship Community Church
181 Robinson St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Memorial Service

MAY 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Sending condolence to his wife & family. Be encouraged and hold on to God's unchanging hands. Rev. Brown was a wonderful, kind thoughtful Man of God. I worked with Rev. Brown at The Salvation Army for many years.*

Pastor Newton - May 05 at 02:41 PM