



## Bessie Brown

March 15, 1933 - April 21, 2021

Bessie Brown, age 88, of Columbus, OH, died on April 21, 2021 at the Arbors at Delaware. She was the widow of Cecil Brown. She is also preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Catherine Gilley; and her brothers, William "Bill," Dewey, and Roger Gilley. Bessie is survived by her children, Larry (Diane A.), Cecil (Sheila), Paul, and Ernest (Diane) Brown, all of Columbus; and Mary(Robert) Alley of South Carolina; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; sisters, Mary Jones, Linnie Thomas, Loraine Brown, and Bertha Pendergress; brothers, Alvin and Jerry Gilley. Bessie was a regular attendee of St. John's Episcopal Church. A funeral service will be held Tuesday April 27, 10 AM, at RUTHERFORD-SHROYER FUNERAL HOME, 1278 West Broad St., Columbus, OH, 43222, with Reverend Dennis Barnhart officiating. Burial will follow in Green Lawn Cemetery. The family will welcome friends at the funeral home from 6 PM until 9 PM Monday, April 26.

# Cemetery Details

## Green Lawn Cemetery

1000 Greenlawn Ave.  
Columbus, OH 43223

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **26**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Shroyer Funeral Home  
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## Funeral Service

APR **27**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie Brown*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Mrs Brown is the sweetest lady. I met her through her son Larry and my niece Diane Anderson. Spent some special holidays and shared a few birthday's and cookouts with Mrs Brown. She came to a few of Larry's band concerts and had a good time. Both pictures added was taken at a band show she came to watch Larry and band play. Had a great day with her at the Washboard Festival in Logan, Ohio. She was an amazing woman and loved her family and loved playing cards. Rest In Peace Dear Lady. You will be greatly missed and remembered always.*

*My love and condolences and prayers to Larry, Diane, Wayne, Ernie, Paul and all of Mrs Brown's family and friends. God Bless All of You.*

*Jeff & Rita Riddlebarger*



Rita Riddlebarger - April 26, 2021 at 10:35 PM



“ *Oakland Park Conservation Club purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Bessie Brown.*



Oakland Park Conservation Club - April 25, 2021 at 11:53 AM

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“ I work for Nationwide and brought a group of volunteers to the Hilltop Senior Village monthly for many years.

*I got to know Bessie, she came there for lunch and fellowship. I often played cards with her and others. Such a sweet lady. My sympathy to the family.*

*Tim Helsel*

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**Tim Helsel** - April 23, 2021 at 07:57 PM

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“ Aunt Bessie was one of the sweetest and kind people I know. As a little girl, I remember visiting her house and she always made me feel special. Many times we would have meals with her and I remember she was an excellent cook. Bessie and my mother Linnie were very close, but Bessie was close with all her sisters and brothers. Rest in peace Aunt Bessie. I know you are in heaven rejoicing with your heavenly family.

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**Delores Riggs** - April 23, 2021 at 07:29 PM