



James C. Brown

Dec. 15, 1938 - Jan. 14, 2026

James C. Brown, 87 of Morganton, NC passed away Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2026 after a year of declining health.

James was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who worked selflessly to support his family.

James spent most of his time managing rental property he and his wife Sunny Nell Brown acquired over the years.

He was an outstanding baseball and basketball player in high school.

James lived with deep gratitude—for life, for family, and for a Pepsi and a Moonpie

In addition to his wife Sunny, he is survived by his sons Hamilton (Jodi) and John (Eli) grandsons Lucas, John Parker and Mason Brown. His brother Tom Brown (Aloma) and nephew Keith Brown (Jeannine).

James was preceded in death by his parents George Milton and Fannie Elva Brown, brothers Bill and Keith Brown

The graveside service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, January 17, 2026 at Burke Memorial Park with Pastor Brad Browning officiating.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Dear Sunny, We just heard that you lost James. We are so very sorry. Please extend our deepest sympathy to your boys too. With Sympathy, Ken and Kathy Yates, Harley Browning's daughter

–Katherine Yates



Sunny and Family I am sorry to hear about James. He was always willing to lend a helpful hand whenever he was needed. He will be missed. If there's anything I can do, please don't hesitate to ask.

–Thomas Simmons

Sunny, I am so sorry for your loss. Jack and I always enjoyed time spent together with y'all at our Landlords meetings. Jim will surely be missed, but glad we had the chance to know him! With love and sympathy to all the family, Guinn Huffman

–Guinn Huffman



–Faye Gee

Scott and I are so sorry to hear of the passing of James. Please know we are thinking of you all.

–Tara Conrad

Sunny, I and the Salem High School Class of 1957 send sympathy for the passing of your dear James. Martha Williams Alexander

–Martha Williams Alexander

Sunny, Hamilton, John and family - so sorry for your loss. Prayers go out for you during this time.

–tracy dale

Sunny you laid the front step of our house when James hurt his back. Sorry for your loss. Enjoyed knowing both of you.

–Sandy and Rodger Lonon

Deepest condolences Sunny, to you, John and Hamilton and rest of your family. Linda Branton Blazina

–Linda Branton Blazina

Sunny, I am so sorry for your loss! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

–Janie Browning



I'm sorry to hear about James passing. I know exactly how you feel. My God bless you real good. Lean on God and he will help. Dolores P.

–Dolores Patton



My wife and I would like to express our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family. I knew Mr. & Mrs. Brown since I was roughly 12-13 years old. I always enjoyed being around Mr. Brown, he will be greatly missed. Rest easy my friend, God bless the family and provide them with the strength they need during this difficult time. Jamie & Jessica

–Jamie & Jessica Davis

So sorry to hear of your loss. Helen Norman

–Helen Norman

What a great man and family! Our thoughts and prayers are with you Sunny, Hamilton, John and family.

–Chris & Daniela Coats

Sunny, prayers to you and your family. So sad. He always had a smile o his face. Got to know you both when I worked at Lowe's. Wishing you and your family Peace! Cindy Ross

–Cynthia Ross

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May God bless! Gene Meade

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John and Sunny were and are such very special and caring people. Go rest high John, your work on earth is through.

–Penny Jenkins

So sorry for your loss!! Sunny Nell keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

–Carolyn Mauney