



Caroline Brown

July 26, 1922 - January 28, 2005

Ella Caroline Trahin Brown, 82-year-old resident of Siloam Springs, died Friday, January 28, 2005, in Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital. Born July 26, 1922, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, she was the daughter of Jean and Zinga Stroupe Trahin. A lifetime resident of Siloam Springs, she graduated from Siloam Springs High School and from John Brown University receiving a BA in English. She married John E. Brown, Jr. on November 23, 1941. From 1948 to 1979 she served the John Brown University family faithfully and well as the president's wife. Mrs. Brown earned an associate degree in nursing from the University of Arkansas in 1974 and later completed the requirements for a license in Social Work. She became Director of Patient Services at Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital and retired (the second time) in 2000 following 26 years of service.

Mrs. Brown was a charter member of the Hospital Auxiliary and served a term as president. She was a charter member of the Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital Foundation Board. She served on the committee and the board that founded the Siloam Springs Adult Development Center. She helped to organize the local chapter of the Salvation Army and served for many years on the board. A faithful member of Chapter T, P.E.O., she served as president 1956-1958 and 1984-1985. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Siloam Springs. In 2000, Mrs. Brown was recognized with a Pioneer Citizen award by the Siloam Springs Chamber of Commerce. She was presented the Dr. Frist Humanitarian Award by Quorum Healthcare in 1986. Survivors include her husband John E.

Brown, Jr. of the home; one son, John Brown and his wife Stephania of Siloam Springs; four daughters, Karen Wilt of Siloam Springs; Melinda Pollock and her husband Richard of Middletown, Delaware; Julie Miller and her husband Don of Malibu, California; and Laurie Wilkinson and her husband Burt of Siloam Springs; fourteen grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren. A private family graveside service will be held Monday. Funeral services will be Tuesday, February 1, at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Ozarks, John Brown University, with Dr. David Bush officiating. Memorial gifts can be directed to John Brown University, 2000 W. University, Siloam Springs, AR 72761; Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital Foundation, 205 E. Jefferson, Siloam Springs, AR 72761; or First United Methodist Church, 325 E. Twin Springs, Siloam Springs, AR 72761. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

D'

“ Dear Dr Brown & family,

Our thoughts and prayers are will you during this time. We have fond rememberances of Carolyn and her gentle and quiet spirit. She was a very special lady.

Dave and Ann (Skinner) Williamson ('76 & '75) - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DM

“ *I will continue to pray that you will rest in God's loving comfort during this time of loss and that He will grant you a special dose of His peace.*

Dell Miller - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JN

“ *Mrs. Brown was a special person to us and we are going to miss her. Her obituary can't begin to tell of her impact on our lives--she had thousands who knew her and enjoyed her care for all that JBU stood for. Thanks to her and the rest of the Brown family for a great memory in our lives.*

Jim and Karen Naramore and family

Jim and Karen Naramore - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

MN

“ We want to express our deepest sympathy to your family for your loss at this time. I have taken the time to read about Mrs. Brown, and recognizing this to be a godly woman whose interest was in glorifying God in her life, I wanted to take the opportunity to let you know that there is nothing more precious in life to know, then that our loved ones are now resting in the presence of God.

Having recently lost my own father, we certainly feel the pain of seering loss, but at the same time rejoice in knowing that there is no more sorrow or pain or suffering for our loved ones. We, who have become a part of the family of God, can rest in the hope of eternity and the comfort of a loving God, who is always right and knows just what we need in these times.

God bless and keep all of you! Until we meet in His presence.

*Love in Christ,
Mark and Beth Newsome and family*

Mark Newsome - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DL

“ I came to know Caroline at the hospital, where she served as a Social Service representative for patients in need of referral to specialist, or home health care, or another myriad of services we asked her to help solve. In the face of a "no" answer, to the agencies we contacted, Caroline made it her quest to supply us, as physicians, with a "yes" answer. Her humanitarian services to our community are unsurpassed. Our medical community, commends her, and morns her passing, however knows, so many adult and children patients know she had an impact on their lives.

Dr. Rebecca Lewis

Dr. Rebecca Lewis - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

RH

“ *What a wonderful lady has left our world to be with her Heavenly Father. All our prayers and love to the family.*

Robert & Ellen Hartley - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

WM

“ *Gentle, kind, and caring; Mrs. Brown made all of us feel like part of the Siloam/JBU family. All of us were better for having known her.*

Wally J Moon - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JV

“ *I will always remember Caroline for all the years she was JBU's gracious First Lady. Caroline was indeed a wonderful person who showed such compassion for my mother during her frequent hospital stays.*

Jon & Teri VerHoeven - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DV

“ *She was truly a great Lady and very gracious.*

Dr & Mrs A.P. Vohs - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

KM

“ *Many good things have been said about Caroline. I will say "Ditto". Having worked with Caroline at the hospital and at Northside, I don't believe I have known a more caring person.*

Karl & Janice Mounger - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

AK

“ I have so many very special memories of Mrs. Brown beginning with the rides to school on rainy days when I missed the school bus during 6th grade to our running joke in my adult years about her leaving lipstick on my collar when I would greet her at church.

I'm not certain I know of anyone more kind and loving than she. She was a joy to be around and made a definite impact on my life.

Her legacy is the wonderful family she raised whom I treasure as friends. She will be missed by all.

Allen Kimbrough - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

CC

“ Caroline was always a pleasure to work with. I ate lunch with Caroline many times during the years that I worked at SSMH.

Charolette Clegg - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JW

“ Thank you Caroline for sharing your wonderful family with so many and for being a friend to all you met.

Jerry David Walker - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

KL

“ She was always so very kind to me. Please accept my sympathies.

Kathleen (Ogden) Larson - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DW

“ I am truly sorry about your loss. Mom Brown was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever met. I will keep all the family in my thoughts and prayers.

Deana Wilmoth - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JJ

“ I have so many memories of seeing Caroline around town through the years. She always had something kind to say. I especially remember being at the hospital many times during joyous and sad occasions. Caroline would greet us with that sweet smile. I always appreciated her kind words during difficult times. My entire family loved her and she will be greatly missed.

Junior & Sue Johnson - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

BJ

“ Caroline was a great lady. You are in my prayers.

B. Cheryl Jones - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

SM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Sarah Mauney - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DB

“ To the memory of a very fine Lady, who we admired so much

Drothy and Tony Barnes - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

SR

“ Our love and prayers are with you.

Sue & Milfred Anglin and Ruth Reasons - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

DB

“ "To know her was to love her." These words could truly have been written for Caroline, and to add to the joy of knowing her was the feeling of being loved in return.

Don and Lee Blair - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

GB

“ I remember Mrs. Brown from when I was a kid on the swim team and then when I was an adult & I would see her @ the hospital she always had a smile for everyone. She was a really nice person.

Gini Blackmore - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JB

“ I've known Caroline for many years & she was probably the nicest person I've ever met. She always had a smile & kind word for everyone. She was a true Lady, in every sense of the word!

Jeanne Blackmore - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

WR

“ Caroline Brown was one of the nicest people I have ever known. She was a true LADY!

Wilbur Maurice Rankin - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

GK

“ I was so sorry to hear about your mother's death. Cindy Kugel has kept me informed about her since she was in the hospital. Mrs. Brown provided me with the best of all role models. When I came to JBU as a young woman, she provided me with an example of strong faith, graciousness, class, character, which has been unsurpassed. She always had time to talk to me and make me feel special. When I was at JBU, I always felt a comfort knowing she was just across the street. I didn't go see her much, but I knew she was there. She always knew who I were and would stop and make sure I were alright. Years later when Missy and Cindy went to JBU, even though she wasn't as an active part of the campus they knew and loved her. Any time I was in Siloam Springs visiting and would see her she would stop and talk. She has left such a positive thumbprint on us Kugel girls, and we will miss her and miss seeing that wonderful smile. May good God bless and guide you during the days ahead as you grieve your loss. Thanks for sharing you "grand" mother with us.

Ginny Kugel-Zank - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

RV

“ A very kind/gentle Lady

Randy Vohs - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JC

“ Mrs. Brown was a lovely and gracious lady who unselfishly devoted her life to her family, to Christian education, to her church and the community of Siloam Springs. She will long be remembered for her dedication to her work at the Siloam Springs Hospital and her leadership as the First Lady of John Brown University. She leaves a beautiful legacy for her family to enjoy and a great example for her children and grandchildren. It was a great honor for me to know her and be inspired by her courage and dedication. My best wishes and personal regards to her family as they celebrate her life!

Jim Caldwell - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

SD

“ Caroline was a wonderful women who touched and helped so many people. We shall all miss her very much.

Sarah Dougherty - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

SW

“ Caroline was a wonderful person and she will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Steve and Jan Wiles - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

ET

“ Caroline was a wonderful person. I worked with Caroline several years at SSMH. She was always willing to help anyone and was very helpful to many patient's and families throughout the years. It was a pleasure to have had the oppurtunity to have known and worked with her. She was always kind, pleasant, and thoughtful to everyone. May God Bless Her Family during this difficult time.

Elaine Thompson - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

ET

“ Miss Caroline was a huge comfort to me while in the Siloam Hospital at two different times. She truly was a gift from God to all of us. I will miss her. God's Blessings to each of the Family from Charlotte and me.

Elaine Thompson - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

RR

“ Caroline was a beautiful and gracious lady. She will be missed by all who knew and admired her. May God give you comfort and strength at this difficult time.

Richard and Anne Ruble - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

CZ

“ Caroline was a wonderful asset to this community. She will be greatly missed. Our sympathy to the family.

Charles, Susan and Stewart Zimmerman - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

GD

“ Caroline and Dr. Brown gave us a crystal bowl as a wedding gift. I meant to tell her that it has been the centerpiece of our table for over twenty years, now, and that I've considered it a talisman. She was a lovely and gracious person.

Gary and Dena Dickinson - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

LR

“ The church will truly miss Caroline. My sincere sympathy to the family.

Louise Randolph - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

KB

“ *I am most sorry for your loss but your mother no longer suffers. She is in a better place. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.*

Karen Ball - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

MA

“ *so sorry to hear of your loss. she was such a nice person, always had a kind word to say.*

mark & lynetta alexander - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

LA

“ *What a wonderful lady!! She will be missed.*

Linda Buck Turner (Salvation Army) - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

BP

“ *Caroline was a gracious, lovely lady and we will always be grateful for her friendship with our Mother, Hazel. She was truly a Godly example, and our love and prayers are with all of you in this time of sorrow.*

Bob & Doris Pennington - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JH

“ *for DOC & MOM
our thoughts...*

jim huskins - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

CN

“ *Caroline was such a wonderful person. I so enjoyed knowing her and working with her at the hospital. I know she'll be missed by many.*

Carla Nodurfth - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

BP

“ *Our Mother, Hazel Pennington, had a long and enjoyable association and friendship with Caroline and the John Brown Family. She enjoyed seeing all of you and talked about what you were doing.*

Our love and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.

Bill and Wilma Pennington - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JT

“ *Truly a woman of great character and ability..she has blessed the lives of many.*

John V. Terry - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

BS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. May you find comfort and strength in this time of loss.*

Ben and Betty Southerland - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JJ

“ I attended class with Caroline when she received her nursing degree at U of A and worked with her for many years at Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital. I always admired her professionalism and her special ways of interacting with others. What a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother I'm sure she must have been. She will be missed.

Jan and Paul Bynum, Jr. - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

CW

“ My sorrow is deep on the passing of Caroline Brown. She possessed the grace, beauty and intellect desired by all women. Those who knew and loved her were immeasurably enriched. God's blessings upon Caroline and all the loved ones she left behind.

Chris and Valarie Willis - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

JN

“ This also comes from Hazel Pennington. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Joe/Betty Nevills - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM

MP

“ Sorry we could not attend the Service. Caroline was a very special "lady". We will never forget her, and her always "upbeat" ways. I never heard anyone say anything negative about her! A very special lady, who lead a very special life. We will ALL miss her!

Sincerely,
Nancy and Moose

M.L. and Nancy Van Poucke - September 19, 2012 at 11:36 AM