



Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown

September 29, 1964 - July 20, 2024

ROBIN JAYLENE FULTON BROWN MADE HER DEBUT APPEARANCE ON THE WORLD STAGE ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1964, SHARING HER FIRST NOTE WITH A HEALTHY, JOYFUL CRY OF A NEWBORN THAT BROKE THE STILLNESS OF THE AUTUMN AIR. SHE WAS THE PRIDE AND JOY OF HER PARENTS, ROBERT FULTON AND JULIA MAE SIMS FULTON.

In her formative years, the song Robin would compose, through human interactions, experiences, and life events, was becoming evident. She was naturally gifted with an ear for music at an early age, and through observation, instruction, practice, and performance, her musical abilities were refined under the tutelage of her mentor, Dr. Anthony T. Leach.

Robin would become a phenomenal woman who would achieve much under the direction of God. She willingly shared her God-given talent by playing the piano and singing at family reunions, weddings, funerals, and other musical events. Her fascination with music and willingness to share that gift received strong support from the Scriptures which remind us to “Make music to the Lord.....with the sound of singing.” Psalm 98:5; “Make melody in your heart to the Lord.” Ephesians 5:19-21.

Robin was a kind, intelligent, humble, Christian, wife, mother, daughter, sister, granddaughter, aunt, niece, cousin, teacher, friend, and musician, with a cheerful demeanor, pleasing personality, and a winning smile. She was raised by her God-fearing grandparents, Julius and Alice Sims, and her relationship with God deepened as she grew to know and love the Lord. She attended Monumental A.M.E. Church in Steelton, Pennsylvania, in her early years. In 1992, she was baptized into the Hillside Seventh-day Adventist Church and maintained her membership in several Seventh-day Adventist churches, as her family relocated to other parts of the country for new professional opportunities. In 2018, Robin returned to her childhood home in Oberlin, Pennsylvania, and resumed membership at Hillside Church, where she served as Church Musician until her passing.

Her numerous acts of kindness produced beautiful notes for the composition of the song of her life. According to her cousin, “God blessed Robin with the gift of music, and she shared her talent by singing and playing whenever we were together and shared her gift with the world. Her music, the piano, and Robin seemed to flow together, naturally.”

Robin’s creativity and talent were evident, not only through her musical gifts, but also through her love of arts and crafts which manifested in her designs and in the art objects she created for others to adorn and elevate celebrations and special occasions.

Robin was truly a life-long learner. She completed her formal education at the Tri-Community Elementary School and Swatara Township Junior High School in the Central Dauphin School District and received her high school diploma from the Central Dauphin East High School in 1982, where she made history as the first Black student to serve as Drum Majorette of the high school marching band. In pursuit of her dreams to make a positive difference in the world, Robin briefly attended the University of Miami after high school where

she was initiated into the Iota Nu Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, in the Spring of 1983. At the time of her death, she was a member of the Epsilon Sigma Omega Chapter in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

After changing her academic focus, Robin transferred to Temple University in Philadelphia, and received her Bachelor of Arts in Communications in 1986. Her drive to achieve led her to pursue Master's Degrees in Arts Management and Business Administration from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, which she completed in 1991.

The writing of the stanza that would tell the story of life-long love and family began when Robin caught the eyes of a debonair, dark, and handsome, young colleague at her place of employment. They became fast friends, and on a beautiful spring day in May 1992, she agreed to spend the rest of her life with her "dark and lovely," Clarence Brown. For thirty-two years, Clarence and Robin enjoyed a strong and loving marital relationship. From this union, Robin gained two stepsons, Clarence and Brian, whom she loved as her very own. Within a few years, the family welcomed two more sons, Jezreel and Koby. These four active young boys were the apples of their parents' eyes.

After successfully homeschooling her sons for several years, Robin "hit the books" once again. This time she set her sights on a Master of Elementary Education Degree, which she received from National University, in 2020. According to God's design, another stanza was added to Robin's song.

A review of the details of Robin's educational pursuits outlines the next stanza in Robin's song and provides confirmation that God orchestrated the plans in her life in preparation for becoming a testament of His glory. It is amazing to see how He prepared her to communicate the good news of the Gospel of Christ through art, music, courses of study, a Christian lifestyle, and human

connections.

Robin continued to write her song as an elementary school teacher and talented musician who served as teacher and accompanist for four years in the Clark County School District in Las Vegas, Nevada. She was also an accompanist for the University of Nevada—Las Vegas Music Department. Most recently, Robin served as the Gospel Choir Director for the Milton Hershey School from 2019 – June 2024 and Director of Music Ministry at The First Baptist Church of Steelton, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. At the time of her death, she was employed as an elementary school teacher for the Hillside Seventh-day Adventist School and was everything to which a great teacher aspires, effective and impactful! She loved her students and sought to inspire them to reach their highest potential. They memorized, practiced, and reviewed this quote, daily, “Higher than the highest human thought can reach is God’s ideal for His children.”

Robin wanted the hearts and behaviors of her students to change. Her students and their parents came to understand that she was firmly guiding them to appreciate that her focus was not solely on their earthly potential, but also on their eternal assurance. This focus was reflective of the guidance she provided while homeschooling her own children for several years. Both were experiences she cherished and took seriously.

There is a break in the song that Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown began composing on September 29, 1964. Based on God’s own timing, her song came to a temporary pause on Sabbath, July 20, 2024. However, we believe that the melody and the song will continue at the second coming when Jesus returns. Knowing Robin, we are assured that her challenge to us would be to meet her in Heaven.

Until then, we look forward with hope for her to continue her song and “sing a

new song before the throne.” Revelations 14:3. On the sea of glass we hope to join in the Song of Moses and the Lamb, “Great and Marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty, Just and true are all Thy ways, King of Saints.” Revelation 15:2-3. As each of us compose our individual songs, through daily interactions with God and man, let us practice our notes through acts of kindness, positive interactions with others, and obedience to God. We encourage you to make plans to join in harmony with Robin and other saints in the heavenly chorus, in the courts above.

Robin leaves to cherish her life, service, and memory: her devoted, attentive husband, Clarence; her sons, Jezreel and Koby; stepson, Clarence; daughter-in-law, Maria; granddaughters, Jayla Brown and Ermani Mathis; grandsons, Cameron and Mason Mathis; her father, Robert J. Fulton; stepmother, Estelle Fulton; her maternal uncle and aunt, Louis Sims and Erma Sims; paternal aunts, Jacqueline (Fulton) Ramsey, and Lena Turner Fulton (Bernard, Jr.); sisters, Nicole Austin-Hillery, Wendy Brown, Sunny Fulton and Cara E. Fulton; brothers-in-law, Alexander G. Hillery, II, and Michael Brown; niece, Mykenzie Brown; nephew, Jayson A. Patterson, II; and a host of Sims and Fulton cousins and extended family members.

Robin was preceded in death by her mother, Julia Mae Sims Fulton; maternal grandparents, Julius Sims and Alice Blanding Sims; paternal grandparents, Esther Brown Fulton and Bernard B. Fulton, Sr.; stepson, Brian Mathis; maternal uncle, James Arthur Sims; maternal aunt, Bernice Sims; and paternal uncle, Bernard B. Fulton, Jr.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR NAME.

Previous Events

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Ivy Beyond the Wall Service

JUL 30. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Flower Delivery

JUL 31. 8:00 AM (ET)

Hillside Seventh Day Adventist Church
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Harrisburg, PA

Viewing

JUL 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUL 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Wallace Funeral Directors - July 30, 2024 at 08:52 PM



“ *Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown*



Wallace Funeral Directors - July 30, 2024 at 08:02 PM

CM

“ Robin and I grew up under the direction of Dr. Anthony Leach, both taking piano lessons from the greatest. I would say that she was the GWOAT of music. She was 2 years older than me and I considered her my big sister in the ministry. I would ask her about songs that she played , how did you play that? She would graciously sit on the piano and show me. I was so proud to have heard that she wrote the song titled, *The Tithing Song: Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse; I'm so glad I have a copy of that song. When I told her I had it and told her she was famous, she waved her hand and laughed. I will miss seeing her but know that now she is at the piano for the choir in Heaven.*



RIP Robin

Cynthia A McCarthur

Cynthia A McCarthur - August 01, 2024 at 09:41 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown.



July 31, 2024 at 10:45 AM

DK

“ Darrell and Toni Kirby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown.

Darrell and Toni Kirby - July 31, 2024 at 10:45 AM

BH

“ To Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown Family: With Our Heartfelt Sympathy, may God's healing gifts of time and timeless love carry you through today and the days to come. God Bless each one of You.

Bill, Jean Hunter and Family

Bill and Jean Hunter - July 30, 2024 at 10:27 PM

LR

“ Lucille Ray lit a candle in memory of Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown



Lucille Ray - July 30, 2024 at 10:14 PM

SC

“ Sankofa African American Theatre Company purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Robin Jaylene Fulton Brown.



Sankofa African American Theatre Company - July 30, 2024 at 01:49 PM

DA

“ I met her in Gospel choir this year where we grew our connection through god and singing. I didn't really know how to be comfortable with where I stand with god but, singing in the gospel choir changed me and her being right there showing me a whole side of me I didn't know was there was such an eye opener. I had a couple of good conversations with her while in Gospel choir and one of which was that she had cancer. I didn't know honestly until she told me and my friend. I prayed that she will continue to fight and I know she did until her very last moment. I am praying for the family and everyone who is hurting because of this loss. Just keep praying through this hard time.

Davian - July 29, 2024 at 02:14 PM



“ I had Mrs. Brown as my music teacher for gospel choir, I really loved how her positive energy lightened the room. As well she greeted everyone in choir with a smile. My condolences on your loved one's passing and God bless.

Yeshuel Garcia
Gospel Choir student

Yeshuel Garcia - July 29, 2024 at 01:20 PM

KC

“ To the family of Robin, I am truly saddened to hear of her passing. May God continue to Bless you now and in the days, weeks and years to come.



Kelli Childs - July 29, 2024 at 11:43 AM

IC

“ Please accept our sympathy at the transition of your beloved mother. She has joined that great Cloud of Witnesses. Yours in Christ's Love, Dr. Iris H. Cooley & Deacon Wm B. Cooley, Jr.

Iris Cooley - July 28, 2024 at 08:02 PM

CH

“ So sad to have my childhood friend pass. I was so glad that I came by to see her a couple days before her passing ❤️🙏 We go back to Monumental AME, she was such a talented, beautiful person 🥺 She played at my wedding. Sending warm hugs, love and prayers to the family ❤️🙏.

Carmen Henry-Harris - July 28, 2024 at 05:44 PM

MT

“ To Nicole & Family
Mark & I would like to send our deepest condolences and prayers. May God continue watching over your family during this time. Losing a sibling is like losing a button off your sweater you cherish. It will never be the same. Remember the good times will put a smile on your face from time to time. We are sure she was proud of you our 85 Sister! God Bless you all.



Mark & Silvia Thompson - July 28, 2024 at 03:49 PM

MS

“ To the Family of Sis. Robin Brown,

*I remember when she played for some churches on Carlisle.
Truly an Anointed Servant of God.
Praying for the Blood of Jesus, to provide what is needed.
Keeping the Family and Friends in Prayer.
Well done Servant of God.*

*Joyfully Submitted.
Sis. Mary L. Scott
Shiloh Missionary Baptist of Carlisle, Pa.*

Mary L. Scott - July 28, 2024 at 03:36 PM

MC

“ As I remember Robin, I'm reminded of our childhood coming up together in Oberlin Gardens. We lived on the same street. Me and the top of 2nd Avenue and her at the bottom of the hill. I also remember Mr. Julius and Ms. Sims back then. We walked the wooded path to Swatara Jr. High School and took the bus to Central Dauphin East High. Though you didn't hang out with us coming up, you were always one of the gang. I'll always remember my Neighborhood. I'll always remember my Neighbors. I'll always remember you from my Neighborhood, as my Neighbor, as you were. Rest well my Friend.

Michael A. Collins - July 28, 2024 at 10:57 AM

L(

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of your sister Robin. To mu cousin Nickie praying for strength and know that God is right there with you. Love and know that the family is here for you. Will be unable to attend but my love is with you.

Linda Robertson. (Penny) - July 28, 2024 at 10:51 AM