ELLA SPEAKS

THE BELL-BROWN 2019 FAMILY REUNION



Excited for our upcoming reunion?

Every third Saturday in August. I can't speak for everyone, but I always get incredibly excited about the upcoming year's family reunion. As a family reunion committee member and contributor, I'm not sure where or when the excitement begins. Since planning meeting's happen throughout the year the buildup can be hazy. But if I am forced to pinpoint, I believe the soft boil of my excitement begins

around time the first family meeting takes place in November.

I know - it sounds premature. But there is something about that time of year when the focus is mainly on family, friends, community and charitable giving. It helps me to fondly remember that in a few short months after all the icy weather has subsided, I will be back among familiar faces basking in the legacy that our ancestors so generously left for us. But that's just me.

How about you? When does your excitement begin?



February 6 - 40 Shamar Spencer February 7 - 25 Zana Williams February 9 - 80 Willie James Spencer February 10 - 65 Barbara Brown February 24 - 30 Tony Lopez March 20 - 30 Najee Gardner March 24 - 40 Shamar Gardner April 19 - 30 Deshon Brown April 28 - 50 Gina Williams

June 10 - 65 Lennie Gardner June 20 - 80 William Webb **August 25 - 35** Camara-Rose Epps **August 31 - 70** Carol Webb September 12 - 45 Byron Brown September 22 - 40 Justin Guerrier October 3 - 25 Omari Brown October 19 - 70 Hannah Brown November 10 - 65 Glen Wallace



Tristian Anthony McMillon-Roberts
born January 8, 2019
Son of Jasmin McMillon-Roberts & Tyshawn Roberts
Great Grandson of Dorothy Spencer

Delilah Kaylee Bunn born February 24, 2019 Daughter of Kiauna Wilson & Daniel Bunn Granddaughter of Andrea & Kevin Wilson

Jace Philip Cabbagestalk
born April 26, 2019
Son of Jeanette Victoria & Brandon Cabbagestalk
Grandson of Philip and Sheila Brown

Kymir N'Khi & Kylah Lynn Floyd born July 10, 2019 Son & Daughter of Raqib Suluki & Kyana Floyd Great Grand Son & Daughter of Dorothy Spencer

Aaliyah Tracee Mae Johnson born August 2, 2019 Daughter of Yazmyne Jackson & Eric Johnson Great Granddaughter of Elaine Jackson

Anniversaries & Achievements

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Michael & Karen MacGregor - 45 years April 27 Shadeed & Najibah Sabir - 10 years May 23 Andre & Suzel White - Married February 19

Scholastic & Life Achievements

Tyron Brown, great grandson of Mary Brown, received a Special Citation of Recognition for Commitment and Dedicated service from Senator Jamaal T. Bailey, 36th Senate District of NY State on March 23, 2019

Talia Nanton, granddaughter of Ann Nanton, attends St. John's University in Queens, NY, has a 4.0 GPA. She received a Gold Certificate of Achievement for the Highest Accumulative Index for a student in the Communication, Government and Politics program. Reggie J Hunt, grandson of Pandora Cintron, graduated from Icahn 3 Charter School with honors. In the fall he will attend All Hollows High School in The Bronx, NY on a full scholarship.

Amendment from last yea<mark>r's Newslet</mark>ter

Mia Hunt, granddaughter of Pandora Cintron, graduated with honors from Manhattan Center High School in NYC. She accepted a full academic scholarship to Barry University and is now in her sophomore year.

Do you have exciting news to share with the family? Want your life event or achievement commemorated in the Ella Speaks Newsletter for 2020? Please email us at: BrownBellFamilyNJ@gmail.com or Maybe222@optonline.net, add "Ella Speaks 2020" in the subject line. July 25, 2020 will be the close date for submissions. The Newsletter will cover events between August 2019 and July 2020. Please note all submissions will not necessarily make the newsletter.

Fallen Leaves

always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts

Bessie Scott Burton (96) Mother to Patricia Brown, Grandmother to Patrice & Ayana Brown

Sunrise: October 3, 1941 Sunset: September 15, 2018

Sellers, SC

Theodore Brown Sr. (86) Nephew to Mary B. Brown

Sunrise: January 30, 1932 Sunset: October 15, 2018

New Bern, NC

Major Williams (84) 4th survivor of 1st family reunion

Uncle of Doris Brown & E Onja Brown

Sunrise: January 25, 1935 Sunset: March 11, 2019

New Jersey

Lessie Fair Epps (72) Sister-In-Law to Roy, Bernard & Hazel Epps,

Dorothy Spencer & Mary B. Brown

Sunrise: April 24, 1947 Sunset: June 17, 2019

Canton, GA

Denis Novell Walters (64) Neice to Dorothy Walters Spencer Family

Sunrise: July 20, 1954 Sunset: January 24, 2019

New York, NY

Lee Edward Burton (63) Brother to Patricia Brown

Sunrise: December 20, 1955 Sunset: January 6, 2019

Sellers, SC

Jacqueline L Andina (55) Sister to Pandora Cintron, Aunt to Reggie,

Michael & Lettecia

Sunrise: January 21, 1963 Sunset: September 23, 2018

Bronx, NY

Eric Christopher Johnson Jr (3 months) Son of Yazmyne Jackson

& Eric Johnson

Sunrise: July 26, 2018 Sunset: September 16, 2018

New York, NY