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ELLA SPEAKS



Our Story

On August 16, 1941, Ella Brown brought the family together for the first family reunion in Johnson Park, Piscataway, New Jersey. For several years after that, the family came together at Ella and Joseph's home at 19 Howard Street in New Brunswick, New Jersey. For 82 years, we have carried on this tradition, and Ella's dream of a family united.

Through Ella Speaks, we celebrate each other, knowing that the generations past sacrificed so much so we could be here today and that our actions are for those who come next. Our cousin Ms. Doris Washington and her husband are examples of this, their activism earning them a space in the National Museum of African American History and Culture. We thank them for their hard work and the example they set!

Many have worked hard for years in a variety of fields and are now enjoying the well-earned season of retirement. We applaud them for jobs well done!

While we cannot all be here in person, we are together in spirit. Perry, our oldest male family member, wishes that he could be with us and sends his love. And we send our love right back to him! We know that all physically absent are near in their hearts.

So we invite you to come and celebrate in these pages the lives, milestones, and achievements of our family. And know that when you have something to celebrate, we want to hear so we can share in Ella Speaks.

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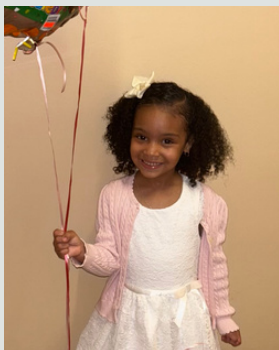
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Achievements



Delilah Kaylee Bunn
Graduated 3K



Rayelle Rylee Wilson
Graduated Kindergarten



Justin Allen Guerrier
Graduated elementary school



City Guerrier
Graduated Middle School



Kevin Kamari Wilson
Graduated 8th grade



Jason Epps
Graduated from South Brunswick High School



Niani Bryanna Randall
Graduated valedictorian from National Christian Academy, maintaining a 4.0 GPA. She now attends Lincoln University studying psychology on a 4-year Provost scholarship.



William Epps III
Graduated as an HVAC Technician from Fortis Institute



Weddings and Anniversaries

Congratulate the Newlyweds!



Wayne Wright and Maria Davis-Wright
were married on 10/5/22. They will
celebrate their first anniversary later this
year.



Happy Anniversary



Justin & Salian Guerrier

Name	Year	Date
Dana & Stefan Parker	5	3/31/18
Justin & Salian Guerrier	15	5/17/08
Diane & Lenny Gardner	45	8/23/78

Births and Birthdays

Welcome Little One!



Zora Grace Dukes

Daughter of Camara Epps and Atif Dukes. Granddaughter of C. Roy Epps and the great-granddaughter of Alice E. Spencer. Born February 20, 2023

Birthdays

Name	Age	Birthdate
Liam Maurice Parker	5	May 6
Yara Asadah Sabir	5	May 12
Dajah Lee Rocky Jasmine Levine	5	July 12
Aniyah Joie Prince	5	July 1
Jaron Wallace	21	March 28
Miles Williams	21	May 1
Keziah Arnold	25	January 14
Christopher Leyh	30	July 3
Sherry Moore	40	November 9
Darra Killingbeck	40	September 19
Ayana Brown	45	January 19
Shaunta Sincere Knight	45	August 10
Tonya Hendricks	50	April 1

Name	Age	Birthdate
Leslye Lopez	55	May 3
Malcolm Williams, Jr.	55	January 9
Darlene Spencer Wallace	60	March 30
Darrell McMillon	60	June 7
Lorraine Sabir	65	March 23
Cynthia Nanton	70	February 8
Joseph Brown	70	February 13
Rasoul Suluki	70	June 25
Muriel Alston	70	September 19
James Spencer, Jr.	70	September 23
Malcolm Williams, Sr.	75	July 25
Barbara Moore	75	July 27
Alice Williams	75	October 15
Gwendolyn Tucker	85	March 8



Fallen Leaves



Dorothy Walters Spencer was the wife of the late Edward Arthur Spencer, Sr., and mother to Arthur, Rasul Suluki, Keith, Lorraine Sabir, and Sharon McMillon. She leaves a long legacy which includes 8 grands and 14 great-grands. Dorothy passed away on September 20, 2022.



Elizabeth Ann Potts She was one of the daughters of the late Sylvia Potts and the granddaughter of Claude and Mary Brown. Elizabeth passed away on February 4, 2023.

Time will not dim the face I love.

The voice I heard each day.

The many things you did for me.

In your own special way.

All my life I'll miss you.

As the years come and go.

But in my heart I'll keep you.

Because I love you so.

-Anonymous

Susan Diane Bagner-Devonshire was the daughter of Richard Bagner and Gladys Williams-Bagner, who is the sister to Luella Williams-Brown married to Morris Edward Brown. Susan passed away on March 29, 2023.

Bert L. Vickers was the son of Johnny Vickers Sr. and Reatha-Woods-Vickers-Newsome, who is the daughter of Mamie Bell Woods. Mamie Bell Woods is the sister of Ella Bell Brown. Bert passed away on December 18, 2022.



Businesses

JNicole Events

Jenell is an event planner and is available to plan your next special moment.

Jenell McMillon Prince
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Jasnell Creations

Sharon has been creating one of kind unique jewelry for over 15 years. She has created a Men's line named after her father, Edward A. Spencer. It's called E.A.S. Collection...For Sir.

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Joseph and Ella Brown - 1961

Universal One Publishing

Leah has been developing websites for more than 20 years. She started Universal One Publishing to help small businesses, nonprofits, and individuals enhance their online presence. The UOP team builds and publishes websites for only \$50.

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BellBrownFamily.com
to submit your
updates!

Book Releases

The Bookstore Adventure: A Nya Sky Story by Leslye Lopez

Leslye's debut children's book, "The Bookstore Adventure: A Nya Sky Story," will be released later this year. The story centers around Leslye's secret childhood desire to live in the Manhattan Barnes & Noble Bookstore. Visit her website, www.leslyerlopez.com, for book release information and dates!

Black Face White Tears: Memoir of a Maintenance Man

A book written by Keith Ishaq Spencer

Released on October 19, 2021

Keith Ishaq Spencer

[Available on Amazon](#)