



Elizabeth Wilder "Liz" Brown

February 5, 1964 - May 7, 2025

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Elizabeth Wilder "Liz" Brown on May 7, 2025. She died peacefully after a relatively short bout with liver cancer at Gilchrist Center near her home in Towson, MD.

A memorial service will be held at Crown Hill Mausoleum Chapel, 1907 Dawson Road, Albany, GA 31707 on Saturday, June 14 at 2 PM. A memorial tribute will also take place in her native Towson, MD at Woodbrook Baptist Church, 25 Stevenson Lane on May 29 at 6 PM.

She is preceded in death by her parents John Todd "Jack" Brown Jr. and Delora Sterne "Delee" Brown, and her sister Florence Secord "Flody" Brown. She is survived by her brother John Todd "Buzzy" Brown III of Birmingham, AL, her nephew Zachary Todd (Ashley) Brown of Crown Point, IN and her niece Katherine Ann "Katie" Brown of New Orleans, LA.

Anytime spent with Liz was such a joy and blessing, especially with her dry sense of humor. She was able to engage in a wide variety of topics and enrich any conversation with her intellect and warm thoughts.

Liz was a proud graduate of Westover High School in Albany, GA. She graduated with honors at Agnes Scott College with a BA in English Literature

and History. Liz began her distinguished career as an academic librarian after earning an MS in Library Science at Rutgers University. She excelled at the University of Michigan, Harvard University, Georgia Tech and Johns Hopkins University (JHU) libraries.

Her career culminated at the JHU Press, where she was Manager of Publisher Relations for Project MUSE, promoting the creation and dissemination of essential humanities and social science publications and academic resources. She collaborated with libraries, publishers, and scholars worldwide. At MUSE and the broader scholarly publishing community Liz made a truly lasting impact. She had a deep commitment to her work and earned the respect of a vast collective of publishing partners and her MUSE colleagues. Liz had an extraordinary depth of knowledge in the humanities and library sciences and was an invaluable advocate for scholarly work.

Liz also had a passion and unwavering commitment to social justice, equal rights, and democracy. As an advocate for the marginalized, she was an instrumental contributor to numerous progressive political campaigns. Liz was a dedicated and long-serving administrator of Indivisible Towson, as well as an elected member of the Baltimore County Democratic Central Committee. Alongside her dear friend Sachin Hebbar, she was co-founder of Forward Baltimore.

Liz particularly enjoyed murder mysteries, a delight she often shared with her mother. Liz loved geography and was a worldwide traveler, often going to destinations on the spur of the moment.

As Liz loved cats, we ask those desiring to send memorials to donate to the Feline Rescue Association of Baltimore, MD.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-6600
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com/>

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

MAY 29. 6:00 PM (ET)

Woodbrook Baptist Church
25 Stevenson Lane
Towson, MD 21212

Memorial Service

JUN 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Crown Hill Mausoleum Chapel
Albany
GA 31707

Tribute Wall

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“ *My oldest and fondest memories are of this sweet soul and I will miss her more than I can express. My deepest condolences to this family who I have considered mine for almost 60 years. I am surrounding you with love. Liz, thank you for always loving me for who I am and for your relentless fight for justice. You made a difference.*



Jay Jenkins - May 28, 2025 at 10:24 PM