



Lewis Brown Jr.

September 26, 1951 - April 30, 2026

Lewis Brown, 74, passed peacefully surrounded by family on April 30, 2026. Born and raised in Mount Holly, Lew built a life defined by resilience, service and unconditional love. His greatest pride came from his two children, three grandchildren and five great-grandkids. His greatest joy was spending time with his high school sweetheart and love of his life Maureen.

In 1970 Lew married his wife Maureen during a time when society still presented challenges for interracial couples. Always unbothered by what people thought, Lew put love first and started a family in the Laurie Village section of Mount Holly for 50 years.

Lew was a proud graduate of Rancocas Valley High School where he played football and basketball. He would later use his athleticism, leadership abilities and love for his community to coach basketball and baseball for over 40 years.

Lew worked as a truck driver for over 30 years and was a proud member of Teamsters Local 676. In his free time, he enjoyed trips to Yankee stadium with his family, watching all Philly sports teams and enjoying time at family barbecues where he usually served his famous burnt hotdogs.

After retirement Lew again turned his energy towards serving the community.

He was elected to Mount Holly Township Council in 2012 and was serving a fourth term at the time of his passing. In his first term on council Lew helped establish the first democratic majority in town in over 25 years. A testament to the connection he shared with the community, Lew received the top number of votes in three consecutive elections. Uninterested in personal recognition and titles, Councilman Brown turned down several opportunities to serve as Mayor and always preferred to simply be called Mr. Brown or Lew.

What meant the most to Lew while serving on Township Council was his ability to affect change in his community. Lew re-established a long defunct recreation program in town and led the initiative to create new community events including concerts in the park, basketball tournaments and youth summer recreation programs.

Lew was a humble man who cared deeply about his family and the community. Coach Brown impacted many lives with his words of wisdom and countless hours he spent mentoring. He would give the shirt off his back to help someone in need and never ask for anything in return. He will be greatly missed by all those whose lives he touched.

Lew is survived by his wife Maureen, daughter Margaret (Taj) Barksdale, son Joshua (Dianna) Brown, three grandchildren Taj Jr (Steph), Nigel (Amanda), Zoe (Jordan) and five great-grandchildren Mia, Benjamin, Ani, Rosali and Lumi. He is also survived by his beloved cat Oscar and grand-dog K'lua.

Relatives and Friends are invited to his viewing on Friday, May 8, 2026 from 9am -11am at the Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mount Holly. A Funeral Service will follow at 11:00am. Burial will be in the Mount Holly Cemetery.

Contributions in Lew's memory may be made to Mount Holly Recreation, 23 Washington St., PO Box 411, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels
438 High St.
Mount Holly, NJ 08060
(609) 267-0399

Funeral Service

MAY 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..*



May 09 at 08:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

May 09 at 08:42 PM



“ *Maurine F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..*

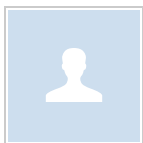
Maurine F. - May 08 at 12:06 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..*



May 07 at 10:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

May 07 at 10:42 PM

CM

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Lew over 5 years ago at a New Years Day Breakfast event and from the moment we started talking it felt like I was visiting with a long-time friend. From that meeting on I was honored to work with him every summer after that on his Seniors BBQ event. He was such a joy to be around, always positive and encouraging. It was so energizing to see the joy he exhibited from helping others have an enjoyable time. Lew is a true treasure of the Mount Holly community. My deepest sympathy to the Brown family at this most challenging time. Peace to all is my hope.

Colin McLain - May 07 at 10:06 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



May 07 at 09:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

May 07 at 09:44 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



May 07 at 02:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

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“ Lew was my son Eric Gardner's baseball coach for many years. He was a kind and compassionate man who loved others. I will miss seeing him around Mount Holly.

heidi gardner - May 07 at 11:56 AM



“ The Changs purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



The Changs - May 06 at 08:56 PM



“ Lew was always smiling no matter where he was, condolences to the Brown family...So sorry for your loss...L.Lipiec

Lisa Lipiec - May 06 at 04:54 PM



“ Michelle & Joe purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



Michelle & Joe - May 05 at 06:15 PM

MJ

“ Michelle & Joe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

Michelle & Joe - May 05 at 06:15 PM

SA

“ Sayke&Ayane purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



Sayke&Ayane - May 05 at 02:53 PM

SA

“ Sayke&Ayane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

Sayke&Ayane - May 05 at 02:53 PM

BP

“ Bill & Fran Powell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



Bill & Fran Powell - May 05 at 08:16 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



May 04 at 08:09 PM



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May 04 at 08:09 PM



Ricardo Fullerton

“ Lewis and I became friends in junior high and remained so throughout our high school years. I went off into the world after we graduated in 1969, but when I occasionally returned to the Mt. Holly area, I always stopped by his home, into which he graciously welcomed me. Lewis was one of the good guys: soft-spoken, kind, generous. He cared deeply about his family and community. My deepest condolences to Maureen and the rest of the Brown family. I will miss you, my friend.

Ricardo Fullerton - May 04 at 07:56 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



May 04 at 05:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis Brown Jr..

May 04 at 05:03 PM

AJ

“ Ann and Stephanie Jordan purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lewis Brown Jr..



Ann and Stephanie Jordan - May 03 at 04:15 PM

JC

“ To Mo, and Josh and Margaret and the whole family I am so so sorry for your great loss. I can see Lews smile now. He was such a sweet man. Rest in the arms of our Lord and Saviour Lew. Sending much love and prayers to the whole family. Love, Toj (Jane Crouchman)



Jane Crouchman - May 03 at 04:52 AM

LS

“ My condolences to THE BROWN FAMILY. I Will always remember how kind he was and had the best talks. You will be missed . May you Rest In Paradise till we meet again

Luz Spencer - May 03 at 01:29 AM

TJ

“ LOU., it's been great knowing you, and may you rest in peace. To the brown family, I'm deeply sorry for your lost. He was a good man.

Terry Lee Matthews Jr - May 02 at 06:22 PM