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Karl Patrick "Pat" Brown was born on May 22, 1943, in Kingston, in the parish of St. Andrew, Jamaica. The son of Leslie Brown, a construction worker for the bauxite company, and Linda Brown, he became the very first child of an employee to receive a scholarship from the company - a distinction that carried him from his country beginnings to board at Jamaica College in Kingston in 1955. It was the first sign of a lifelong pattern: doors opened not by privilege, but by ability and quiet determination.

Pat was a craftsman to his core. From boyhood he took things apart to understand them, and as a young trainee at the Monymusk Sugar Factory he set his heart on learning to wind motors. Handed a desk, a textbook, and the words "study this," he taught himself - and never stopped. At the bauxite company he was once dismissed as too young to know anything about motors; he simply kept "paying attention and grasping everything," mastering welding, telephone lines, machine work, even driving the great mining trucks. "There was nothing I didn't try to do," he would say. Urged by a mentor to earn his electrical license, he was one of only two men to pass that year.

That same resolve built a career across two countries - senior foreman, consultant, switchgear engineer, and ultimately the founder of his own firms, including General Utilities Services, the most trusted electrical contractor for the Jamaica Public Service, and later KPB Services in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the company that bore his name and his standards. A born problem-solver and innovator, he was respected by colleagues and customers alike for his skill, his fairness, and his gift for making the complicated plain.

But the truest measure of Pat was found at home. More than fifty years ago, at a university party in Kingston, a friend introduced him to Murdith, a gifted young nurse who would become prominent in her profession - "that's history," he loved to say. They married in August 1969 at the University Chapel, Mona, and on a New Year's Eve he gave her a pendant inscribed "A day to remember." Of their union he said simply, "It has been one of the blessings and the better highlights of my life." Their early home was a full and happy one, Murdith's sisters among them.

Patient, kind, and quietly devoted, Pat believed a disagreement should never outlast the day. "A good marriage," he taught his children, "is made up of two good forgivers" - a principle, he said, that came straight from the Bible. His children never once saw their parents quarrel. They learned their work ethic, their compassion, and their character by watching him: how he treated his workers, how he kept his word, how he gave without ever needing to be repaid. Money, the family came to understand from his example, comes and goes - but good nature and family endure.

He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife of fifty-six years, Murdith; his children, Shani, and Kevin; son and daughter in law Robert and Maleka, his grandchildren, Bobby, and LeighAnne; brothers Horace and Anthony, Sister Marian, brothers and sisters in love of extended family and lifelong friends.

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Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels
5980 West Oakland Park Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33313
(954) 484-1833
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Funeral Service

JUN 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

Community Christian Church
10001 W, Commercial Blvd.
Tamarac, FL 33351

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