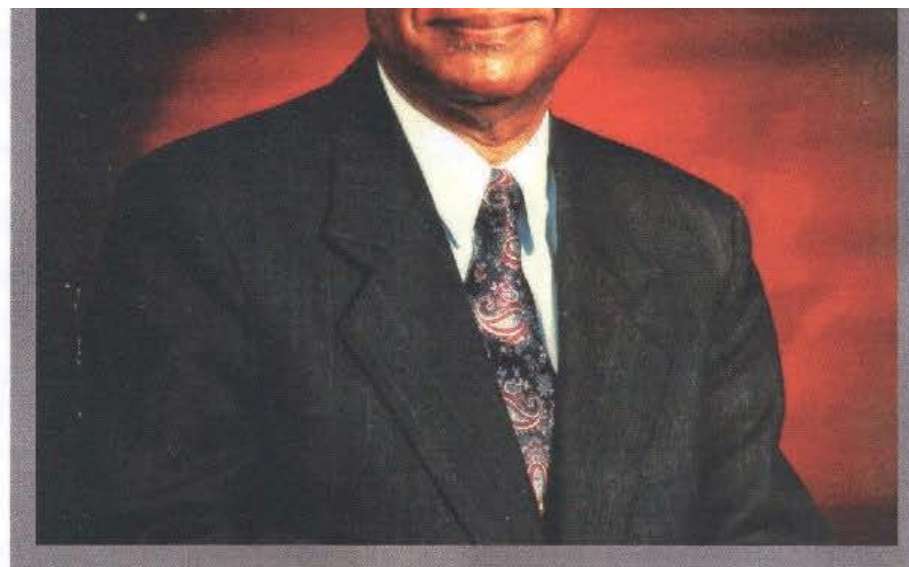


**In Memory  
of  
Stennett H. Brooks  
Beloved Father  
Pastor  
Former President of  
the North Eastern Conference of Seventh Day Adventist Churches  
Patriarch of the Brooks family  
And my uncle...**

**"The greatest man I have ever known." - Go with God uncle - Roger M. Brooks**

**A Service of Celebration for the Life of**





# STENNETT H. BROOKS

Sunrise: July 19, 1932

Sunset: April 4, 2008

Sunday, April 13, 2008—6:00 p.m.  
City Tabernacle of Seventh-day Adventists  
562 West 150<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10031

**Officiating Ministers:**

**Pastor Baldwin Barnes**

*Senior Minister, City Tabernacle*

**Dr. Abraham J. Jules**

*Senior Minister, Mount Vernon Church*

**Dr. Delbert Baker**

*President, Oakwood University*  
**Dr. Detric Blue**  
*Senior Minister, Ephesus Church*

## **LIFE SKETCH**

Stennett H. Brooks was born July 19, 1932 to the late Roger and Jelina Brooks in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua. He was the oldest of six children, three of whom have preceded him in death. He attended school in Panama, Jamaica and New York before enrolling in Oakwood College (now Oakwood University).

While in Jamaica, he worked with the West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as an accountant, book store assistant manager and member of a singing quartet.

In 1959, Stennett married the beautiful Erma R. Parchment. Together they came to New York, where he joined the staff of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventist. They had three daughters, Andrea, now deceased, Audra and Amalia (Chris).

After continuing his education at Oakwood, he returned to the Northeastern Conference with its 165 congregations and 47,000 members. He served as the conference's accountant, secretary-treasurer and treasurer before becoming conference president. As president, he oversaw the construction of a nursing home, senior citizen housing, the Northeastern Conference Headquarters building, the purchase of a high school and the development of a campsite.

In addition to his work at Northeastern, he loved to travel. He was certified as a cruise counselor by the Cruise Line International Association and was a member of the American



member of the State Life International Association and was a member of the American Society of Travel Agents and its Industrial Committee.

Stennett placed great importance on education. He was recently honored by the United Negro College Fund as the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus. He has been a member of the Greater New York Inter-Alumni Council/UNCF for over ten years and has served as the Annual Dinner Journal Committee Chair and Chaplain. He was also the president of the A. Samuel Rashford chapter of the Oakwood University Alumni Association and was recently elected president of the New York Chapter of the Northern Caribbean University Alumni Association.

Stennett died in a sudden and tragic accident on Friday morning, April 4, 2008. He is survived by his wife Erma; his daughters Audra and Chris, their husbands Ivan Allston and Walter Reddick; his two wonderful grandchildren Bryce Drew and Colleen Andrea; his sister and her husband Redella and Albert Hodge and his brother Oril Brooks; sisters in-law Maritza Brooks and Oriel Lee Brooks; his brothers in law and their wives Stuart and Joyce Parchment, Vaughn and Omia Parchment and Russell Parchment; along with nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of other relatives and friends. He was the patriarch of our family.

Stennett Brooks loved his family and his church, and dedicated his life to the service of God and mankind. He was City Tabernacle's first elder and Sabbath School Superintendent. No task was too small as long as it glorified God and helped others. He will be greatly missed until we see him again.

**LOVINGLY SUBMITTED BY THE FAMILY**