

ROGER WESLEY BROWN JR.

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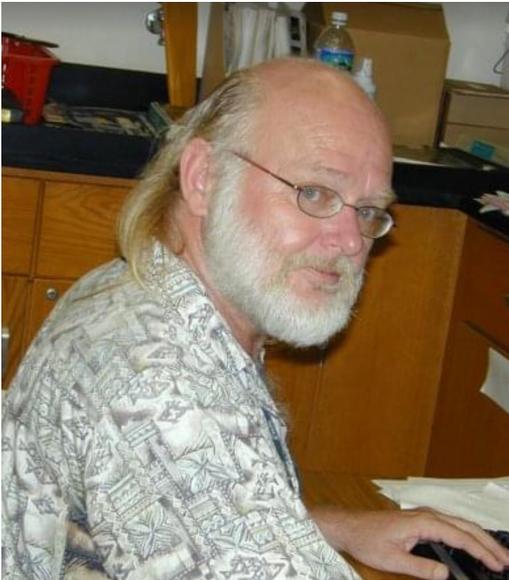
On behalf of the College of Natural and Applied Sciences and especially Guam Cooperative Extension and Outreach we would like to send our sincere condolences to the family of the late Roger Wesley Brown Jr. Roger was part of this College when it was called the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and for many years was a true fixture on the second floor of the ALS building. There was not a weekday or weekend that Roger would not be found in his lab on the second floor. His tall stature and professor looking hair style provided any visiting guests the belief that faculty at CNAS were hard at work during all hours of the day. His presence will surely be missed by many staff, students and G4S that frequently visited Roger during late evening hours.

We pray that his omnipresent spirit will be part of this College for many years to come.

Sincerely,
Lee S. Yudin
Dean/Director CNAS

Acknowledging Roger over the many years of being on campus and the many sponsored events and programs have been a learning and enriching experience. The hallway conversations throughout the years come with the different projects and the typical inquiry on what project is next on your docket. In almost any organization and projects undertaken, employees have shown extraordinary ways of getting things done and a unique way of branding productivity and performance. While being casual and yet putting their best efforts forward represents a one-of-a-kind Roger engagement. It's rare not to see Roger focusing on the next goal and the next project, always taking the next step, or leading the effort to resolve a program or project concern. I can say that Roger is one of the accurate representations of one facet of our Extension creed capturing Roger's role..." I believe that Extension is a link between the people and the ever-changing discoveries in the laboratories." Roger indeed is one of Extension's professional 'good people' continuously cultivating the Extension mission and helping our organization through the personal values of humility, respect, and generosity that Roger reflects during his time with us.

Pete Barcinas
Interim Associate Director, CE&O





People have asked me how long has Roger worked for me. On paper he worked for me but in actuality he worked with me. How long were we a team? I'm guessing 13 years. At that time, he came to me looking for a job. I said I had funds for about 6 months. I then made him an offer, "If you can assist me with running a plant diagnostic clinic, working with farmers, conducting experiments, managing grants, and finding new funding sources, you have a job for as long as you want." When he said he wanted the job, I couldn't believe it and now knowing he wanted to work up until he could work no longer is inconceivable. I will always be grateful for the UOG administration for allowing Roger to be my boss this past couple of months, during his search for answers to his medical issues and his mortality. When I reached out to the many esteemed scientists that have worked with us over the years. This is what a few of them replied.

"I know you and Roger were a great team, and that he meant a lot to you and your program."

"This is a very sad news. May God give strength to his family."

"Please, extend my condolences to Roger's family, friends and colleagues. I learned so much from Roger and he was a patient and kind mentor."

"We spent many hours together with the scopes looking at fungi. He was very efficient in everything that has to do with coordination and surely will be missed by the farmers he has been helping and the extension community at large. I pray that his Soul Rest In Peace in Heaven."

"It is very hard to believe that Roger died. He was so full of life, always energetic and interested in what was going on and a good pal for you over the years.....he made you look good, too, always supporting all of the studies you wanted to do and doing all the behind the scenes work so that your projects could be flawlessly executed." Enclosing, to Roger's family, I want you to know that it was a privilege to know and work with Roger.

Sincerely,
Bob Schlub

Roger was a great boss and mentor. There wasn't any question that Roger didn't have an answer for. His knowledge of grant processes and UOG intricacies was un-matched. He was the glue that held our crew together, always there to help and solve our issues. The lab feels empty without him there and he will be sorely missed. "Gone but never forgotten."

Sincerely,
Julia Hudson

Roger Brown maintained a greenhouse beside our lecture hall. He made it available to our students who used it to conduct experiments and to propagate green onion, hot pepper, and other plants. During the past three years 120 students benefited from Roger's generosity.

Sincerely,
Bob Bevacqua

