



Gary D. Thomason

August 29, 1935 - September 25, 2020

Mr. Gary D. Thomason, age 85, of Stone Mountain, Georgia passed away Friday, September 25, 2020 at Brookside Senior Living Center.

A Funeral Service will take place on Tuesday, September 29 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Tim Stewart Funeral Home: 2246 Wisteria Dr SW, Snellville, GA 30078. Rev. Dannie Reed will officiate with Rev. Mike Holt providing music. Gary's family will gather graveside for his burial at Oaknoll Memorial Gardens in Rome, GA on Tuesday, September 29th at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Thomason was born August 29, 1935 to the late Dan and Irene Denson Thomasson in Cedartown, GA. Gary was a dedicated member of Mountain Park First Baptist Church since 1963 where he devoted much of his time to the church serving as a deacon, trustee, Sunday school teacher and Royal Ambassador teacher. He thoroughly enjoyed gospel music and singing with the choir, but everyone around him could attest that he belonged in the congregation singing rather than in the choir loft. He graduated from Pepperell High School and Georgia State University.

Gary proudly served in the United States Army from May 1958-April 1961, of which he served one year abroad in Thule, Greenland. He continued his service in the Army reserves three more years from 1961-1964. During his time in the army, Gary was responsible for communications equipment which would become a valuable skill in his professional career. Gary devoted most of his career to Scientific Atlanta where he was the 6th employee hired, retiring after nearly 30 years. Gary then went back to work for the Lawrenceville Housing Authority and officially retired after many years of service.

Mr. Thomason was a beloved husband, father, Papa, and friend. Anyone who knew Gary knew him to be a kind and gentle man. Some would describe him as a quiet man, but when he spoke, his words spoke volumes. He was one of the hardest workers you would ever meet. He enjoyed working outside-rain or shine, you could often find him working in the yard, sometimes cutting grass that didn't need to be cut, just so he could relax on his

lawnmower.

He was proud to be a son of the King and loved the Lord with all his heart and served Him faithfully. Gary carried on a Christ centered legacy of love and devotion that transcends generations and touched the lives of so many along his journey.

Mr. Thomason is survived by his sons & daughters-in-law, Gary W. & Anita Thomason of Blairsville, and Dan & Debbie Thomason of Loganville; grandchildren, Bryan (Robin) Thomason, Alysha Abernathy, Danielle (Chris) Driggers and Lindsey (Chris) Hawkins. 6 great-grandchildren, Grady and Mackenzie Thomason, Rowan Abernathy, Thomason Driggers, and Aspen and Bennett Hawkins; sisters, Ellen Barnes and Sylvia Barnett and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 64 years, Jo Ann Lemming Thomason, his parents, Dan and Irene Thomasson, and sister, Joyce Sills Richardson.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The CF Foundation was a cause near and dear to his heart, as his great-grandson, Aspen, lives with cystic fibrosis. Donations may be made online: <https://tinyurl.com/GaryThomasonMemorialDonations> or by mail to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 57 Executive Park South, Suite 380, Atlanta GA 30329.

Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 2246 Wisteria Dr SW, Snellville, GA 30078 is in charge of arrangements. Send on-line condolences to <http://www.stewartfh.com>.

Gary is now made whole and his faith has become sight. He wanted today to be one of celebration, knowing that he is more alive now than ever before. Phil. 1:21 "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."

Cemetery

Oaknoll Memorial Gardens

2549 Shorter Ave. SW

Rome, GA, 30165

Events

SEP **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Tim Stewart Funeral Home Snellville

2246 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, GA, US, 30078

SEP **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Snellville

2246 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, GA, US

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - September 28, 2020 at 01:36 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr Thomason's passing. He resided at Brookside with my mother and a sweet man. I always enjoyed talking to him and know how much he missed his loving wife. Such hard times not able to visit our loved ones at Brookside with the covid issues and I will miss seeing him when we can go back. Prayers and comfort to the family.

Ramona Crawley Doverspike - October 31, 2020 at 12:38 PM



“ Myron B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Gary D. Thomason.



Myron B. - September 30, 2020 at 04:16 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear of the passing of Gary Thomason. Gary and the love of his life Jo Ann were two of the most wonderful people God ever placed on this earth. They were such genuine, loving people who let Christ’s love shine through them every day. They epitomized grace, dignity, and love for all. We were blessed to have known them at Mountain Park First Baptist Church. Gary and Jo Ann were true servants of the Lord. I’m certain that when Gary and Jo Ann each arrived in Heaven, they were told “ Well done, good and faithful servant.” They each fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith. Prayers for the entire family. God bless all of you.

Connie and Tom Buckelew



Connie Bearden Buckelew - September 29, 2020 at 12:30 PM



“ 74 files added to the album LifeTributes



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - September 28, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Gary D. Thomason.



September 27, 2020 at 11:38 AM