



## Michael J. Thomas

May 15, 1956 - November 4, 2020

THOMAS – Michael J. Thomas, age 64 of Monroe, passed away on Wednesday, November 4, 2020. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 8, 2020 in the Loganville Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home. Joe Davis will officiate. The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home in Loganville. Mike started his broadcasting career with WAGA, now known as Fox 5, where he dedicated 34 years of service before retiring. Mike's career allowed him to work various elections, sporting events, pageants, and charities. He won 3 Emmy's in broadcasting. Mike also coached co-ed softball for the station and baseball for the American Legion Post 233 in Loganville, where he was also a member. He was a dedicated life-long Braves fan. Mike was preceded in death by his parents, Henry Marion Thomas & Fern Alexander Thomas; brother, Russell Thomas; father-in-law & mother-in-law, Joseph Herbert Nix, Sr. & Arrie Delia Nix; and brother-in-law, Joseph "Joey" Herbert Nix, Jr. He is survived by his wife, Joyce Nix Thomas; daughter & fiancé, Amy Thomas & Nick Patti of White, GA; son & girlfriend, Darryl Thomas & Alex Kent of Indianapolis, IN; grandchildren, Braxton & Bennett Thomas, Nicholas Patti, and Brandon Sanchez; sister, Marie Williams of Blooming Grove, TX; sisters-in-law & brothers-in-law, Patty & Tim Wilkins of Madison, and Nancy & Chris Harris of Carrollton; as well as numerous nieces & nephews. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. 770-466-1544. Please sign the online guest

registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Loganville  
670 Tom Brewer Road  
Loganville, GA 30052  
(770) 466-1544

## Celebration of Life

NOV 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Loganville  
670 Tom Brewer Rd.  
Loganville, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael J. Thomas*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *PeeWee Williams, Ray Williams, and Marie Williams purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



**PeeWee Williams, Ray Williams, and Marie Williams -**  
November 07, 2020 at 10:55 AM



“ *Mike was one of the finest men I've ever met. A true friend and great coworker. We shared so many adventures and so many laughs. He will be greatly missed by my family. Love you Mike.*

**Chris Rehkopf -** November 07, 2020 at 08:26 AM



“ *Linda, Chris and Leigh Anne Rehkopf purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



**Linda, Chris and Leigh Anne Rehkopf -** November 07, 2020 at 08:20 AM

CZ

“ I’m so thankful to have known Mike. For nearly three decades he was by my side, making sure every technical detail was taken care of as we produced sports programming together at WAGA. It was standard operating procedure that I would inevitably forget something on Peachtree Road Race morning. It was also inevitable that Mike would be there to pick me up, usually with whatever I forgot already in hand. No one loved the Braves more than Mike, so when we shared an exhausted moment together outside of the production truck in 1995 after the World Series win it felt like we were brothers. I remember him saying, “We did it, Chippie!” When you worked on a project with Mike you always knew the audio wouldn’t be a problem. It would be perfect. Extra batteries. Backups to the backups-all hallmarks of a Mike Thomas production. Mike was a consummate professional, but an even better husband and father. He beamed when talking about Joyce and the kids. My lasting memory of Mike, however, will always be him as a softball coach wearing our somewhat silly “Bad to the Bone” WAGA uniform (we actually were really BAD-to the bone!). You didn’t mess with Mike on game days. He really wanted to beat channel 2-some things never change. Socks high. Pants stained with red clay. Rounding third. And now, he’s finally made it home. Rest well, good and faithful friend.

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Chip Zeller - November 07, 2020 at 06:44 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.



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November 07, 2020 at 05:52 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.



November 06, 2020 at 06:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.



November 06, 2020 at 02:50 PM



“ 83 files added to the album Life Tributes



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - November 06, 2020 at 02:03 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



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November 06, 2020 at 11:38 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



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November 06, 2020 at 11:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



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November 06, 2020 at 11:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.*



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November 05, 2020 at 09:05 PM

KD

“ My sincerest condolences to you, Joyce, and the rest of the family. Mike was certainly one of the “good” guys. Always helpful and kind. Always willing to share a laugh. A man of excellence at work and on the ball field! But always gracious to those who were not quite as adept. Such a fun guy to share the Braves’ Glory Days with, and also to share the WAGA Glory Days with. I know you will miss him terribly, and I am so so sorry for your loss. I will be praying for you as you navigate the next days and months. Love to you.  
Kim Daniell-White

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kim Daniell-White - November 05, 2020 at 06:44 PM



“ Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Michael J. Thomas.



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November 05, 2020 at 06:41 PM