



Lavone Charles Thomas

May 9, 1935 - January 28, 2010

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Sunrise: May 9, 1935 - Sunset: January 28, 2010

Lavone Charles Thomas, age 74, of Newport, Tennessee passed away Thursday, January 28, 2010 at Life Care Center in Morristown, Tennessee after a lengthy illness.

Lavone was a graduate of Tanner School in Newport. He was employed as a concrete and brick mason earlier in his life in Newport, Tennessee. He attended Swift Memorial Junior College where he met his future wife, Mary Ernestine Hatcher-Thomas of Norton, Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alice Woods Thomas-Stewart and Clarence Pete Thomas; grandparents, Ada and Porter Woods; step-father, Robert Stewart, all of Newport; his children, Johnny Maurice Thomas and Vera Lee Bandy, of Morristown, Tennessee; uncle and aunts, Pearl Woods, Sarah Woods, Rosa White, Matilda Hatcher, Polly Ownsby; and cousins, Margie Pruitt and Ada B. Robinson both of Newport, Tennessee; and William "Bill" Woods of LaGrange, Georgia.

He is survived by his children and spouses, Walter Phillip Thomas (Marcia); Yvonne (Lewis) Simpson of Morristown and Ardena Marie Thomas of Morristown, (fianceé Alonzo Arnold) of Chattanooga, Tennessee; Sammie Mae Ramsey (William "Bill") of Morristown; Mary Lynn Dykes (Dion "Don" Sr.) of Newport; Melvinlene Thomas-Sims of Atlanta, Georgia; Elgin Robinson

(Carolyn); Lou Nichols and Crystal Oglesby, all of Newport; former wife & special friend, Mary Erenstine Hatcher-Thomas; aunt, Bessie Thomas of Newport; sister-in-law, Mary Hatcher of Alliance, Ohio; sons-in-law, Donnell "Big Don" Bandy, Sr. and Jake Sims, Jr. of Morristown; daughter-in-law, Janie Hicks-Thomas, also of Morristown; eighteen grandchildren, Tina Thomas, of Knoxville, Tennessee; April Ramsey, Ronota Thomas, Donnell "Lil Don" Bandy Jr., Ikeshia Ramsey, Jescina Ramsey, Joseph Ramsey, Jake "J.J." Sims III, Ciaria Simpson (Jordan Hayden) all of Morristown; Danielle Thomas of Atlanta, Georgia; Chelsey Dykes, Dion Dykes Jr., Sonya Davidson, Keyshawn Robinson, Sametira Robinson, Crystal Carter, Isaiah and Isaac Oglesby all of Newport; twenty great-grandchildren; cousins, Katherine Carmichael, Robert Woods, James Pruitt Sr., Walter "Rooster" Robinson and Frances Robinson all of Newport; a devoted friend, Stella Ownsby of Newport; a host of great nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends on Friday, February 5, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Manes Funeral Home Chapel in Newport. The funeral service begin at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Betty Chandler officiating. The interment will immediately follow.

Manes Funeral Home is in charge.

Family and friends may sign guest registry at www.manesfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Lavone Charles Thomas*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Mary, Remember that I love and care about you. Kandee*

Kandee Veridal - February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss! You all are in our prayers daily! May God Bless You All in your time of grief and sorrow! (Sandy Reed Jr., Phillip&Faith Stewart, & Kristi, McKeal, DeWan Nichols)*

Reed, Stewart, & Nichols Families - February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm sorry for the family loss of a love one and my prayer is with the family. With All My Love, Gary Dykes*

Gary Dykes - February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Please accept my deepest sympathie.*

Donnie Corbett - February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM