



Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas

April 28, 1949 - June 24, 2021

Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas was born April 28, 1949 in Atlanta, Georgia.

His educational path included graduate of Buena Vista High School, Buena Vista, GA, Bachelor of Science, Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, GA, and MBA, Shippensburg State University, Shippensburg, PA.

He formerly served as pastor of St. John AME Church, Lebanon, PA, Bethel AME Church, Mercersburg, PA, and Bethel AME Church, Cito, PA. His fraternal and civic affiliations were Blacks In Government and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He retired from Naval Supply Activity, Mechanicsburg, PA, where he was the recipient of Civilian Service Awards as Director of Submarine Support Activity. Repairing family cars at the Depot Hobby Shop, attending kid's games and watching his grandchildren play basketball were among his most enjoyable pastimes.

Rev. Jerome Franklin Thomas entered eternal life on Thursday, June 24, 2021, at seventy-two years of age while at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. He was preceded in death by his mother, Julia L. Thomas, and his sister, Annette Harris.

He leaves to celebrate his life and honor his legacy his wife, Charley Mae

Thomas of Harrisburg, PA; daughter, Cathy Hall (Hubert Jr.) of Harrisburg; sons, Jeremy Thomas (Sharmeica) of Shippensburg, PA, Jonathan Thomas (Nikki), Joseph Thomas (Mokie) and Jaimie Thomas, all of Harrisburg; siblings, Alvin Thomas, Jeanette Thomas, Patricia Betaudier, Patsy Hudson and Jacqueline Maddox; twelve grandchildren, one step-grandchild, other family members and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes memorial contributions be made to Charley Speaks Family Ministries.

<https://gofund.me/cc5030a2>

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY YOUR NAME.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Gardens

Harrisburg, PA

Previous Events

Flower Delivery

JUL 1. 8:00 AM (ET)

First Spirit Filled Baptist Church
2609 Locust Lane
Harrisburg, PA 17109

Viewing

JUL 1. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Wallace Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas



Wallace Funeral Directors - June 30, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas



Wallace Funeral Directors - June 30, 2021 at 06:23 PM

LB

*To Charley Mae and the entire Thomas Family:
Our sincere condolences are expressed to you in the loss of your dear love one. May God continue to comfort and keep you during this difficult time.
L. Dewitt Riggs Brown and husband (Collis O. Brown).*

L. Dewitt Brown - July 01, 2021 at 01:55 PM

DG

“ My condolences to the family of Rev Jerome, he was a wonderful pastor with a gentle spirit and a wonderful contagious laugh. I will never forget the day Aunt Carol, Carmie and Carroll were driving to some family function, and the radio was playing Just my Imagination and Rev was singing along... I waited until the song was over and said Rev what you know about the Temptations I know enough....We all laughed.

I will miss him...

Mrs Thomas you are in my prayers...

Much Love and Respect

Lynn

Deborah Lynn Green - July 01, 2021 at 05:48 PM

EM

“ *Eva M Muchori lit a candle in memory of Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas*



Eva M Muchori - July 01, 2021 at 11:43 AM

LJ

“ *May our Lord continue to watch over you all during this time of bereavement. My family and I will continue to keep you prayer. Lawrence Moore and family.*

L. Gary Moore Jr - July 01, 2021 at 10:52 AM

CL

“ *My Sincere Condolences to The Thomas Family! May God grant you Love, Comfort and Peace at this difficult time. Rest in God's arms my friend and brother. JEROME!*

Carol A Littles and Family of Lithonia - June 30, 2021 at 11:39 PM

WJ

“ *The Cooley Family extends condolences and offers up prayers for the comfort and consolation of your family during this season of loss. Hold fast to God and He shall surely dry every tear in His own good time.*

William Cooley Jr - June 30, 2021 at 03:11 PM

MF

“ *Charley Mae my condolences go out to you and your family in the loss of your dear sweet husband. I remember you and Jerome from the good old days in the "Valley"and I glad to know that you all have shared all this time together. What a blessing! You have a lot to be thankful for. I remember Jerome being a smart, kind and gentle giant. Most of all I remember him loving himself some Charley Mae!! Smile May God be with you!
Your FVSU Classmate '71
Millinese Benson Fortson*



Millinese Benson Fortson - June 30, 2021 at 11:04 AM

DM

“ I met Jerome while working at the Navy. What a wonderful human he was, so caring and compassionate. Always had time to stop and ask how the family was. Charley May all your memories of Jerry help you through this difficult time. Blessings to you and your family. Prayers for comfort. 🙏🙏🙏 Deanna (Robinson) Morrison.

Deanna Morrison - June 30, 2021 at 08:47 AM

UA

“ I first met Reverend Thomas while attending high school with his children. I always viewed Reverend Thomas as an amazing father and husband. I always admired him for this. He was always very welcoming when I came to his home and he was always ready to provide advice. He and Mrs. Thomas raised amazing, loving and beautiful children whom I am happy to call friends.

Big Romey Rome will be greatly missed.

Uriah Aviles - June 29, 2021 at 07:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas.



June 29, 2021 at 07:29 PM

MS

“ My sincere condolences to Rev. Charlie Mae and Family and Prayers for strength and comfort in your time of bereavement Rev. Thomas was a Man of God who never thought it robbery to share the Word Of God. May he rest in peace. God Bless you and your family.

Michele Underwood Sr. - June 29, 2021 at 07:02 PM

EG

“ Eugenia Greaves purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Reverend Jerome Franklin Thomas.



Eugenia Greaves - June 29, 2021 at 10:19 AM

LW

“ A dear friend. We met in 1972, interacted, shared a lot of thoughts & memories. We

usually found time to do something together from him helping me fix something to us

spraying fruit trees together. He also provided an abundance of wisdom during our

interactions.

Linnaeus T. (Dale) & Jina Whitehead

Linnaeus Whitehead - June 28, 2021 at 08:35 PM

BC

“ Jerome and I played together as children also was a friend to the family he will missed my prayers to the family rest in peace my friend 🙏🙏🙏

Bobbie June Colson - June 28, 2021 at 08:04 PM

WH

Rev. Thomas was truly a gentle giant. I thank God that I was able to witness the dedicated service as a Pastor on the Harrisburg District. May the love of God surround the family,.

wanda hunter - June 29, 2021 at 07:37 AM

AC

*Buena Vista High School
1967 Class Song
by
Annette Chinn
(Tune: "On The Street Where You Live")*

*We have often walked down these halls before
But the teachers always scolded when we went past the door
Now we all will sigh, for the time is nigh
We will leave our dear school BV High.*

*We would like to thank our dear faculty
And our parents who have strived so understandingly
May you all be blessed with the very best
You are ranked higher than all the rest.*

*Now it's time to bid our farewell to you
We will miss our friends but we must say goodbye to you
On a cloud we stand, holding hand in hand
We will see all of you when we land!*

Happy landing, my friend!

Annette Chinn

Annette Chinn - June 29, 2021 at 01:05 PM

EM

My condolences to the family. Rev Thomas was there for me when I was going through a very difficult time in my life.

Eva M Muchori - July 01, 2021 at 11:42 AM