



Etta Mae Thomas

November 18, 1940 - September 13, 2021

Etta Mae Thomas, 80, of Peoria, IL passed away at 2:01am Monday September 13, 2021 at her home surrounded by family.

Etta was born November 18, 1940 in Peoria, IL to Frank and Geneva (Jones) Keyes. She married Fred R Thomas on March 8, 1966.

Etta is survived by two daughters Renita Thomas of Peoria and Cheryl Conners of Bolingbrook, IL; one brother Flanagan (Faye) Chapman of Grandview, MO; one sister Delores (Ike) Humes of Peoria; three grandchildren Chantal Burnside of Peoria, Chayana Thomas of Atlanta, GA and Simone (Jerry) Chew of Bolingbrook, IL; four great-grandchildren, Aniya Howard, J'Mere Howard, Tavion Jackson and Jemia Chew; one great-great grandson and a host of nieces and nephews who adored her.

Etta is preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, her parents and stepfather, Willie Felder.

Etta retired in 1995 from Peoria District 150 Richwoods High School after many years of service. She loved sewing, interior decorating and the color blue.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. on Saturday October 2, 2021 at

Higher Dimensions Praise and Worship Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

Higher Dimensions Praise and Worship Church

2610 W. Nebraska Ave.

Peoria, IL 61604

Tribute Wall

SS

“ *Etta Mae Thomas*

Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services - August 13, 2024 at 01:19 PM

BV

“ *Barbara Vinson lit a candle in memory of Etta Mae Thomas*

Barbara Vinson - October 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Etta Mae Thomas.*

Divine Peace Bouquet - October 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Rose Impression Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Etta Mae Thomas.*

Rose Impression Casket Spray - September 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *Amen*


Eric Matthews - September 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CM

“*My beautiful cousin, Etta Mae, was so talented. She could sing, sew, cook and decorate. At New Morning Star, she would decorate the November table during the Calendar Tea, making little turkey cookies. Growing up, the younger kids in the family knew the words to all the latest music because she and her best friends Betty and Judy were always singing the songs like a musical group. We all love her and will miss her. Rest in peace with Jesus. Love Connie*”

Connie Matthews - September 25, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MD

“*To my beautiful smiling, but strict cousin. I love  you and will miss you with all that fussing you did. Blessings to all immediate family left behind. Love, Michelle Jones/Douglas*”


Michelle Douglas - September 23, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RM

“*Chap and Faye, sorry for your loss, our prayers are with you and your family*”

Rochelle Moore - September 23, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JB

“*I will always remember Etta Mae as Beautiful both inside and out. She and my Sister Judy were more than just friends. They were truly Sisters in their souls. Petite but strong and very wise. Rest in Heaven my Friend, until we meet again. *”

Joyce Brooks - September 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *Going to miss you, Auntie. We love you. Rest in Paradise*

Alan Thomas - September 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *It's so hard to find the words to say how much I am going to miss you and our special friendship, that goes far beyond just mere friends, we shared a bond that was truly special like sister and you will always hold a place in my heart. You fought the good fight of faith and you finished the course, now it's time for you to take your rest. Geor-Gia Wallace-Swoope 🤔❤️*

Geor-Gia Wallace-Swoope - September 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Auntie I thank you for being my Auntie and mom I love you so much the childhood memories you gave me thank you ❤️ I will forever be grateful!!!! RIP QUEEN!*

Denise Porch - September 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AI

“ *Love you auntie, gonna miss your smile, laughs, and always keeping me in line at Morning Star. Rest on, you will truly be missed.*

Annette Irby - September 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AI

“ *Gonna miss your smile, laughter, and keeping me in line at Morning Star. Rest on auntie. You will truly be missed. I love you*

Annette Irby - September 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM