



Earline Martin Thomas

February 28, 1922 - May 7, 2020

Earline Martin Thomas, 98, was a lifelong resident of the Thomas community, LA, who passed away Thursday, May 7th, 2020, from complications onset by COVID-19 at Our Lady of The Angels Hospital in Bogalusa, LA. Born February 28, 1922 in Franklinton, LA to Willis E. Martin and Ophelia Magee, the oldest of 4 daughters.

Married to the late Archie Joseph Thomas on August 28, 1940 in Tylertown, MS and had 6 children, 15 grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren, and a host of precious great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, & church members. She provided for her family by working at Rutter Rex for “32 some odd years” (as she would say) before serving her community by selling homemade cakes & pies for all occasions as well as award-winning chicken & dumplings – all from scratch. A pillar of her local Christian community, she played an integral role in establishing Bible Baptist Church in Thomas, LA, led by Pastor Harold Gaddy & wife, Maureen Gaddy, by offering up her house & property for Sunday sermons until enough money was raised to purchase the land & build the church.

She is survived by her sister, Dorothy Galloway married to the late Pastor Glay Galloway of Bogalusa, LA, 2 of her daughters -- Mary Jane Stogner married to former MS State Senator Joseph Stogner of Sandy Hook, MS & Sharon Jan Hartzog married to John Hartzog, Jr. of Bogalusa, LA, & her

daughter-in-law Linda Graves Thomas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters -- Inez Crain & Kathleen Thomas; her husband -- Archie Joseph Thomas; and her children -- Richard Lloyd Thomas, Lazette Brumfield married to the late Leo Brumfield, Walter Thomas, & Raymond Thomas.

A graveside service will be held at the Thomas Mausoleum on Saturday, May 9th, 2020 at 1 pm. Pastor Harold Gaddy will officiate.

Serving as pallbearers are Brian Brumfield, Brent Brumfield, Jeremy Lee, John Hartzog III, Travis Taylor, & Parker White.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to Bible Baptist Church of Thomas (29567 Hwy 424, Franklinton, LA 70438)

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“ *I loved tis lady she was really a good person I worked for her for a while going to miss her*



Teresa Davis - May 10, 2020 at 05:47 AM

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Very sweet lady, I know she's in a better place.

deborah b. norman - May 11, 2020 at 10:27 PM