



## Elma Rae Touchstone

December 6, 1935 - January 23, 2012

### ELMA RAE TOUCHSTONE, AGE 75

And a resident of Franklinton went to be with her Lord at 7:30 pm January 23, 2012 at Regency Hospital in Covington. El was born in Thomas on December 6, 1935 to Frank and Eunice Thomas. El married Charles Hunter Touchstone on October 13, 1953. She was a faithful wife, mother and Christian who was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. El and Charles raised their family in the Bogue Chitto Heights area and she worked at Rutter Rex for over 20 years. El loved her family and friends very much. She had a very special relationship with her grandson Derek and his son Ethan. They were very close and spent practically every day together. Mom may have been concerned that we thought she loved them more than the rest, but for all of us children, that was never an issue. We were happy that she was there for them and they were so close, but we knew she loved everyone of us.

Survived by:

2 Daughters and a son in law: Kathy Lynn Atwood of Owasso, OK; Rebecca Lynn and Bill Sanders of Meridian, MS

2 Sons and Daughters in law: Charles Gary and Donna Touchstone of Franklinton; Johnny Ray and Pat Touchstone of Odessa, TX

9 Grandchildren

9 Great-grandchildren

2 Sisters: Wessie Jones of Thomas; Flora Phillips of Tylertown

Brother: John Thomas of Franklinton

Also numerous nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by her husband Charles Touchstone, parents Frank Thomas and Eunice Dillon Thomas, grandsons David Shane Atwood and Sean Hunter Touchstone, and sisters Mary Knight and Frankie Thomas. Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Wednesday January 25th from 5 pm until 9pm. Visitation will continue at 9 am Thursday at Trinity Baptist Church. A funeral service will be held at the church at 11 am with Rev. Walter Mixon, Rev. Stan Statham, Rev. Greg Touchstone, and Rev. Johnny Touchstone officiating. Burial will follow in Ellis Cemetery.

El's family would like to thank several people for all the kind deeds they've done. For staying with mom during her illness, Lois Hamilton, Alicia Thomas, Mary Penton, Shirley Brooks, Sheila Gaines. For being her best friend, Virginia Miller. For being a good son in law and always helping our mom, John Busby. For all those visiting mom and showing her so much love, her sisters Flora and Wessie, her brother John and all the nieces and nephews. Plus, we want to thank Bro. Walter Mixon and the church family at Trinity Baptist Church and the staff of Regency Hospital.

Pallbearers: Dewayne Touchstone, Derek Busby, Martin Touchstone, Dylan Busby, Micah Touchstone, Nicholas Busby, Andrew Taylor.

Obituaries can be viewed online at [www.crainfh.com](http://www.crainfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ *my little granddaughter savannah want to say first of all she love ya and she will be praying for all the family and that she loves aunt el*

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**terisa and savannah** - January 26, 2012 at 01:54 PM

SS

“ *Gary and Donna, My prayers are with ya'll and your family. Your mom was one of the sweetest ladies I knew. May peace be with you and your family*

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**Shelia Stafford** - January 26, 2012 at 01:05 PM

JV

“ *Dear Family and friends of Mrs. Elma Rae, We extend our sympathy to you all. Mrs. Elma Rae was such a nice lady always wearing a smile and so friendly. Our prayers with the family and also to her best friend, Virginia. We know you all will miss her so much. sincerely, Joanie and Jimmie D Varnado*

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**Joanie Varnado** - January 26, 2012 at 08:30 AM

AO

“ *Our sympathy to all of you. Let GOD be your comfort in this time of sadness.*

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**Anthony and JoJo Odom** - January 25, 2012 at 11:32 PM

LC

“ *just want to let you all know that I have always loved your mom she was just a sweetheart. My heart goes out to each one of you. God Bless*

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**lori varnado creel** - January 24, 2012 at 11:27 PM

JM

“ To Greg, Kathy, Johnny and Becky, I was so very sorry to hear of Mrs. El's passing. I have fond memories of your mom. May God bless each of you during this difficult time and for the days to come. Love to all....Jackie

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**Jackie Matherne Moore** - January 24, 2012 at 10:35 PM

BW

“ May our God grant you peace and understanding at this time. We are so sorry for your loss.

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**Bruce & Ann Walters** - January 24, 2012 at 08:14 PM

JM

“ Becky, sorry for your loss Di and I have you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.

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**John and Diana Mitchell** - January 24, 2012 at 07:21 PM

KD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you in the loss of your loved one. She was loved by many and will be missed.

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**Kaye Jean Miller Doss** - January 24, 2012 at 07:21 PM

SL

“ I wanted to let you know that you are all in my prayers, I am so sorry for your loss. Rely on the Lord and each other for strength. With love, Shelly

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**Shelly Luker** - January 24, 2012 at 06:06 PM

PC

“ You all have my deepest sympathy  
Aunt Mil's sister Pat Shapiro

Patricia Cooper - January 24, 2012 at 06:05 PM

GJ

“ May God Bless and comfort you all at this most difficult time . Your  
mother's kind and gentle spirit , her genuine love of our Lord and  
Savior will be her legacy to all who were honored to know her.

Gary & Betty Jones - January 24, 2012 at 05:41 PM

TJ

“ Johnny and family: Please know that our hearts are so sadden by  
the loss of Ms. El. She will greatly be remember for the true  
Christian woman she was, and for a great mother and grandmother.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.  
Please do not hesitate to call if you need anything. We love you all.

Teresa Goings Jones - January 24, 2012 at 05:30 PM

TS

“ i love you aunt el and to kathy,gary,johnny,becky and family so sorry  
to hear about anut el but you all know see is in a better place with  
jesus love you all

terisa sumrall - January 24, 2012 at 05:27 PM

RB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I have several fond memories of Ms.  
El from when I was a young girl and attending Trinity Baptist  
Church.

REBECCA GIVENS BURCH - January 24, 2012 at 05:02 PM