



Jo Ann Thomas Hightower

September 13, 1948 - May 23, 2023

JO ANN THOMAS HIGHTOWER, AGE 74

And a longtime resident of the Lawrence Creek Community passed away Tuesday morning May 23, 2023 at Riverside Medical Center. She worked at Crain's Seafood Restaurant in Sheridan for several years before retiring to raise her family. Jo Ann was a longtime active member of Lawrence Creek Missionary Baptist Church where she attended the Ladies Sunday School Class and worked with vacation bible school through the years. She was an excellent cook, especially her red velvet cake, and she loved to watch her favorite TV soap operas every day. Jo Ann was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother that adored her young grandchildren. She enjoyed going to all their ballgames and events to cheer them on.

Survived by:

3 Sons and a Daughter in law: Chad Hightower of Franklinton,
Brad and Ann Hightower of Mt. Hermon,
Brandon Hightower of Franklinton

2 Grandsons: Jayden Hightower of Mt. Hermon,
Caydon Keith Hightower of Franklinton

4 Granddaughters: Brittany Hodges,
Ali and L.J. Gay,
Mirah Hodges all of Mt. Hermon,
Brenlynn Gerald of Franklinton

3 Great-grandchildren: Tucker Landry,
Gunnar Gay,
Remi Gay

Sister: Joyce Thomas Sorrell

Nieces and Nephews: Lisa and Gary Hyatt,
Cindy and Bubba Taylor

Also numerous sisters in law, nieces, nephews and friends

She was preceded in death by her husband Bud Hightower, parents W.V. and Helen Thomas, bother in law Gill Sorrell, nephew Jody McNeese, father in law and mother in law Luther and Velma Hightower and other family members.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Friday May 26th from 5:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Visitation will continue Saturday at Lawrence Creek Missionary Baptist Church (28608 James Creel Road, Franklinton, LA) from 10:00 am until the funeral service at 2:00 pm with Eld. Don Jacobs and Eld. Duane Ball officiating. Burial will follow in the Thomas Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Bubba Taylor, Gary Hyatt, Wayne Nobles, Andy Wayne Nobles, B.J. McNeese, Lane Barber

Honorary Pallbearers are her friends in the Ladies Sunday School Class of Lawrence Creek Church and Linus Magee. Billy Knight, Mike Fasola

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest sympathy for the family during this time. Our family's intertwined thru the years as our boys grew up. Condolences to all.*

Sharon, JL, John, JW, Jessie - May 25, 2023 at 11:11 PM

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“ *Dear family, I'm sorry to hear this news.. Ms Joann was such a sweet heart to me. And I know she loved her Family so so much..And the Grandbabies is what she truly lived for.. Every ball season she made sure to get their uniforms fitted just right and there school close hemmed and fitted for the new year ahead.. I will surely miss her beautiful smile. JimBo and Christy Turnages*

Christy Turnage - May 25, 2023 at 09:06 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Ms. Jo Ann's passing. Praying for all of you.*

Marie Varnado

Marie Varnado - May 25, 2023 at 09:03 AM