



Richard Houston Thomas, Sr.

June 20, 1935 - March 23, 2013

RICHARD HOUSTON THOMAS, SR., AGE 77

And a resident of the Pine/Thomas Community died at 11:51 pm Saturday March 23, 2013 at St. Tammany Parish Hospital. He was a member of Pine First Baptist Church and a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and the Army Reserve. He lived in Georgia and was a former police officer there as well as a jack-of-all trades working in construction including roofing, electrical and A/C and heating. Richard returned to the area in 1981 and developed a love of farming and working the land on his tractor. He coached little league baseball and women's softball and was involved with the Explorer Post 254 in Pine often traveling to their canoeing races in the region. Richard was known as "Cigar" for his ever-present cigar and he loved traveling with his wife to the gulf coast.

Survived by:

Wife of 55 years: Mazina Ann Williams Thomas of the Pine/Thomas Community

4 Sons and Daughters in law: Richard Houston Thomas, Jr. and fiancée' Tara Hardy of Temple, GA, Johnny Lee Thomas and Carolyn Thomas of Bremen, GA, Keith and Sondra Thomas of the Pine/Thomas Community, Michael Wayne Thomas and Claire Thomas of Slidell

10 Grandchildren and Spouses: Dianna Michele Hull and Steve Hull, Darrell Mark Thomas, Dorothy Mazina Jean Thomas, Richard Houston Thomas, III and Kathryn Thomas, Joshua Lee Thomas and Lindsey White Thomas,

Pamela Nicole Thomas, Kimberly Shannon Thomas, Matthew Johnny Thomas, Tiffany Darleen Thomas, Brandon Keith Thomas
14 Great-grandchildren

Brothers in law and Sisters in law: Charner Leon Williams and Bobbie Williams of Florida, Betty Lou Higgins of Georgia

He was preceded in death by his parents Houston Thomas and Myrtis Lee Knight Thomas, an infant brother and step-mother Neva Foil Wood Thomas
Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Monday March 25th from 6 pm until 10 pm and after 9 am on Tuesday. A funeral service will be held at 11 am Tuesday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. David Easterling and Rev. John Lowery officiating. Burial will follow in the Thomas Cemetery.

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *Ms. Ann: We are thinking of you during this time of grief. We'll be praying for you as you look to our Heavenly Father for strength and guidance.
We love you. Marie (&Mitch)*

Marie & Mitch Kilgore - March 26, 2013 at 10:04 AM

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“ *We would like to send our condolences to your family at time of your lost*

Washington Parish Fire Dist.4 - March 25, 2013 at 04:12 PM

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“ *Mrs. Ann, Keith and Michael-----You all are in my prayers and thoughts during this time.....*

Tammy Smith - March 25, 2013 at 11:17 AM