



Roger Thames

July 22, 1949 - November 17, 2023

ROGER THAMES, AGE 74

And a longtime resident of the Canaan Community passed away Friday morning November 17, 2023 at Heritage Manor Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. He was born in Tylertown, Mississippi on July 22, 1949. Roger was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam Era and later served his community in the Louisiana Army National Guard for several years. As a young man, he worked at the LSU AgCenter Southeast Research Station before a long career as a truck driver. Roger drove milk and feed trucks as well as dump trucks all throughout the area. During this time, he also served as a bus driver for the Franklinton schools for many years. Roger was a handy mechanic and auto repair man, operating Thames Body Shop at his home for many years. He worked as an auxiliary deputy with the Washington Parish Sheriff's Office for a time and served as an officer with the Franklinton Police Department. Roger was a longtime member of Canaan Baptist Church who also attended Hillcrest Baptist Church for a time. He was always talented with his hands and had even built a nice log home to raise his family in. Roger loved cooking delicious Cajun food for his family and friends and he enjoyed spending time in the great outdoors.

Survived by:

2 Daughters and Sons in law: Rachel and Josh Walker of San Antonio, TX,
Leslie and Matt Westmoreland of Franklinton

3 Grandchildren: Emma Walker,
June Westmoreland,
James Westmoreland

3 Sisters and a Brother in law: Judy and George Holmes of Franklinton,
Virginia Ferguson of Amite,
Theresa Cooper of Franklinton

Also numerous nieces, nephews, other family members and friends

He was preceded in death by his parents Prentiss Ford Thames and
Josephine Rials Thames, brothers Larry Thames, Dale Thames and other
family members.

Visitation will be at Canaan Baptist Church (18486 Sanders Road,
Franklinton) on Friday November 24th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. A
memorial service will be held in the church at 11:00 am Friday with Rev. Stan
Adams and Rev. Sam Husser officiating. He will be laid to rest alongside his
parents in the Oak Grove Pentecostal Church Cemetery near Jayess, MS.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorial donations to the First Baptist
Church of Franklinton Ramp Ministry, building ramps for the wheelchair bound
or others in need.

(950 Self Street, Franklinton, LA 70438)

The family wishes to express a sincere thank you to Northshore EMS,
Riverside Medical Center, the staffs of Heritage Manor Nursing Home and
Community Care Hospice for all their care and support of Roger during this

difficult time.

Tribute Wall

MG

“ I remember meeting my third cousins. One was married to Roger. We went fishing. As soon as I walked near the edge , we all heard a big whop whopping sounds. I didn't know what was going on. Roger was the very first one to get me to move back from a snake in the water. I just was reading past postings and found out he was deceased for years.
He was handsome with his dark hair and his then wife, Ann, with her blonde hair were a young Ken and Barbi beautiful couple.

Mae Gardnermills - December 31, 2023 at 04:58 AM

FJ

“ Roger was a friend of my parents and I. He worked on our cars and tractor. He will be missed. My prayers and hugs for the family. God bless you all.

Francis Douglas Sylvest, Jr. - December 02, 2023 at 11:39 PM

TI

“ Thomas E Ingram lit a candle in memory of Roger Thames



thomas E ingram - November 19, 2023 at 10:51 AM

DT

“ *Don And Brenda Townsend lit a candle in memory of Roger Thames*



Don and Brenda Townsend - November 19, 2023 at 08:00 AM

VK

“ *Virginia Walker Keller lit a candle in memory of Roger Thames*



virginia walker keller - November 18, 2023 at 09:16 PM

SB

“ *Susan Barber lit a candle in memory of Roger Thames*



Susan Barber - November 18, 2023 at 05:28 PM

JL

“ *Juanita Luper lit a candle in memory of Roger Thames*



juanita Luper - November 18, 2023 at 05:14 PM