



Rosetta Thomas James

November 18, 1934 - January 18, 2017

ROSETTA THOMAS JAMES, AGE 82

And a resident of the Hays Creek Community died at 5:20 am Wednesday January 18, 2017 at the Louisiana Heart Hospital in Lacombe. Rosetta was a beloved wife, mother, sister, sister in law, and grandmother. She worked at Rutter Rex Manufacturing Company for 31 years as a seamstress and including the last 5 years as a floor supervisor. She enjoyed cooking for family and friends and being active in her community and church of Hays Creek. Everybody knew that if they visited "Aunt Zet" that she was going to feed them something delicious. Rosetta's pastimes included reading, watching soap operas and working in her yard. She and her husband especially enjoyed traveling in their later years with her brothers in law and sisters in law. She had a wonderful relationship with each of her grandchildren and adored her great-grandchildren.

Survived by:

3 Daughters and Sons in law: Gayle and Bruce Ladner of Pine,
Nettie and Russell Nielson of Franklinton,
Lisa and Said Taghavi of California

2 Sons and a Daughter in law: Andy James of California,

Ken and Shannon James of Franklinton

Daughter in law: Patricia Pittman of Nashville, TN

9 Grandchildren and Spouses: Ryan and Amy Ladner,
Nicholas and Jennifer Ladner,
Robin Nielson,
Rusti Owens and Jamey Holden,
Sarah Taghavi,
Ian James,
Matthew James,
Brannon and Beverly Pittman,
Cody and Amber Breland

15 Great-grandchildren: Brady, Emma, Layla, Piper, Jackson, Katherine,
Hunter, Hayden, Sicily, Jeremiah, Bryce, Seth, Avery, Brianna, Jase and an
expected great-grandchild

2 Great-great-grandchildren: Autumn, Josie

2 Brothers and Sisters in law: Tim and Cathy Thomas of Pine,
Royce and Cheryl Thomas of Houston, TX—Royce was like one of her own
sons to her.

5 Sisters and Brothers in law: Von Stewart of Georgia,
Mary and David Beall of Franklinton,
Deborah and Eld. Mike Stuart of Denham Springs,
Ruth Seals of Poplarville, MS,
Ann Kindler of West Memphis, AR

Brother in law and Sister in law: Roy and Kathy James of Covington

Sisters in law: Ellen James of Franklinton,
Leona Thomas of Bogalusa

Also numerous nieces and nephews, whom she loved very much.

She was preceded in death by her husband Malcolm James, daughter Keitha James Breland, son Dail Pittman, grandson Micah Lee Ladner, parents Lloyd Thomas and Edwena Penton Thomas, brother and sister in law Nollie and Francis Thomas, brother Junior Thomas, brother in law Clyde James, brothers in law and sisters in law Alton and Irma James, Pat and Geneva Edwards, brother in law Marvin Stewart and brothers in law Dave Kindler, Lionel Seals.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Friday January 20th from 5 pm until 9 pm. Visitation will continue Saturday at Hays Creek Southern Baptist Church from 9 am until 11 am. A funeral service will be held in the church at 11 am Saturday with Rev. Milton Kleisch, Rev. Rick Elder and Rev. David Easterling officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family wishes to express a sincere thank you to the staffs of Heritage Manor Nursing Home, Heart of Hospice of Lacombe and the Louisiana Heart Hospital for all their care and support.

Pallbearers: Ryan Ladner, Nicholas Ladner, Cody Breland, Bruce Ladner, Russell Nielson, Hunter Owens, Hayden Owens, Jackson Gilmore, Jimmy Stewart, Tim Thomas,

Honorary Pallbearers: Roby Graves, Mark Jenkins, Randy Brumfield, Gary Brumfield, Buddy Graves, Glen Graves

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Tribute Wall

RT

“ It is with great regret that I cannot be home to be with my family at this time. Zet came to see me one afternoon in the fall of '64 and told me that my plans for myself were unacceptable and that I had a home with her and her family if I wanted it. Thus began one of the happiest and most rewarding periods of my life. I started my life over with a new family. I was loved, fed and clothed and expected to do my part to help with everything from gathering firewood and starting the morning fire in the fireplace to picking up the babysitter in the morning before work and school. I changed Ken's diapers and help wash and fold them. There was never a time when I didn't know I was loved and wanted. Zet and Malcolm took us to Church each Sunday morning and night. They lived their Christian lives by example. They raised their children to love The Lord and respect others. I know no better individuals anywhere than Gayle, Dale, Nettie, Keitha, and Ken. I was living with Malc and Zet again in '91 and '92. I was on the Fire Dept. and worked the accident where Zet lost her precious Keitha.. Zet had a heart attack that night and required open-heart surgery. Because I was on shift work, I was able to spend time helping her in her recovery those first few months.. We became really close during that time. The last time I talked to her, and I was hanging up and told her I loved her, she said "And I Love You, Son. She was "Mom" to me and I will miss her.

Royce Thomas - January 21, 2017 at 01:44 AM

LC

“ *What a wonderful legacy and memories she leaves. She was a wonderful Christian woman that so many looked up to. She loved and enjoyed her family every second of her life and they deeply loved her in return. She will be missed. So proud that I knew her and her family and friends. They have all made a deep impression on my faith, life, and values. May God comfort all of you in your time of loss. Love all of you. Prayers for healing and comfort.*

Lydia Creel - January 21, 2017 at 12:50 AM

CB

“ *My prayers are with all of ya'll today. She was a sweet Christian lady loved everyone. I loved her too.. Sorry I can't join the family much love. Camilla Breland*

Camilla Breland - January 20, 2017 at 10:57 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rosetta Thomas James.*



January 20, 2017 at 08:08 AM

SW

“ *Aunt Zet always had the right words....She could calm you with her wisdom and love. She gave me strength in some tough times of my life. I will never forget the night Uncle Malcolm walked through the old house and through firecrackers in the fireplace! She fussed at him good! The meals around that big table,. .And when we would ALL get together and sing. She will always be loved and never forgotten.*

Sally Edwards White - January 20, 2017 at 05:57 AM

BJ

“ So sorry for your loss but she is celebrating in a much better place. I has the privilege of working with her and getting to know her. She was awas an awesome sweet person. She will be missed. Praying for comfort and peace in the following days as you mourn her loss.



Brenda Jarrell - January 20, 2017 at 05:21 AM

BF

“ My heart goes out to the family. I always thought so highly of Zet. GOD BLESS sending prayers

BECKY FITZATRICK - January 19, 2017 at 02:17 PM

LB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss.....Ms. Rosetta was a Wonderful Lady and she would help anyone, a Beautiful Christian Angel!! Praying for you all. Loretta Bracey



Loretta Bracey - January 19, 2017 at 01:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rosetta Thomas James.



January 19, 2017 at 01:06 PM

DB

“ Ken and family I'm so sorry for your loss will have you all in my prayers. So sorry her life was short , read about her sounds like a very outstanding lady. Beautiful family as I read about them. Each of you will miss her in your own ways. Ken I m sending you a special hug along with prayers to you and all....Love Dee Branigan



Dee Branigan - January 18, 2017 at 10:25 PM

JL

“ Mrs. Nettie my thoughts n prayers are with you n your family. Mrs. Rosetta was a very sweet n kind lady. God be with each of you.



Juanita Luper - January 18, 2017 at 08:01 PM