



Florene Thomas

July 28, 1918 - November 14, 2018

Florene Thomas a resident of Henryetta passed from this life on November 14, 2018 at the age of 100. She was born on July 28, 1918 in Foss, Oklahoma to William "Joe" Buster and Nora Lee (Wallace) Minyard. She married David R Thomas on November 29, 1939 in Dustin, Oklahoma. Together they raised 4 children; Doyal, Ron, Gaye, and DeRhonda.

David and Florene purchased a grocery store at 1st & May Street in 1957, which they operated together for 32 years. Thomas grocery holds many memories for the children who attended Roosevelt Grade School and later became the bus stop when the schools were combined in one building. Ms Thomas would prepare sack lunches every day and handled all the chaos lunch time would bring. She later worked as the hostess of The Henryetta Territorial Museum until a fall prevented her from working. She loved meeting people and giving tours of the museum.

The Thomas family were faithful members of the Assembly of God Church. Florene taught Sunday School and later became the secretary of the Sunday School Department. Upon retirement she organized a weekly quilting club at the church. God was the center of her life and most of her activities were centered around church events.

She was the 3rd of 11 children and being the eldest daughter, helped her

mother take care of her siblings.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her sons, Doyal and Ron Thomas, a daughter-in-law, Joyce Thomas, 5 brothers, Elton, Glen, Bob, JB, & Bill Minyard, 5 sisters, Odessa Minyard, her twin sister Lorene Minyard, Maudie Williams, Letha Campbell & Denola McWilliams.

She is survived by; her daughters, Gaye Newton and husband Jim, DeRhonda Andrews and husband Don all of Henryetta, 7 grandchildren; Derrick Thomas, Rachele Thomas, Rebecca Thomas, Felicia Andrews, Brandon Andrews, Matthew Newton, Hunter Thomas, Tyler Smith and Jeremy Smith, 15 great grandchildren; Mattisen & Lukas Hamric, Ayla & Thalia Delso, Lanie & Paige Huddleston, Aydon, Sheldon, Ariana & Kambree Andrews, Dalton & Aubree Thomas, Zef Thomas, Kinley & Addy Smith.

Family will be receiving friends at Rogers Funeral Home Tuesday evening from 6:00 - 8:00.

Funeral Service will be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at Rogers Funeral Home Chapel with Rev John Wesley Berry and Rev Robert Adams officiating.

Internment will follow at Westlawn Cemetery under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

2800 West Main
Henryetta, OK 74437

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rogers Funeral Home
1302 West Main Street
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Visitation

NOV **20**. 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rogers Funeral home created a Tribute Video in memory of Florene Thomas*



Rogers Funeral Home - November 19, 2018 at 10:23 AM

CM

That was beautiful. The pictures brought back so many wonderful memories. Thank you for sharing.

Carol Maddox - November 23, 2018 at 11:11 PM

DD

“ *Debbie Dutchess lit a candle in memory of Florene Thomas*



Debbie Dutchess - November 20, 2018 at 10:28 PM

GN

Oh Debbie, Thank you!

Gaye Newton - November 22, 2018 at 08:26 AM



“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Rogers Funeral Home - November 19, 2018 at 09:09 AM

JM

“ *June Robertson Minyard lit a candle in memory of Florene Thomas*



June Robertson Minyard - November 18, 2018 at 12:06 AM

JM

You had the sweetest Mother, I remember when they changed their quilting club to our church at Abundant Life. My prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

June Robertson Minyard - November 17, 2018 at 11:12 PM

BA

“ *Florene certainly showed her Minyard traits as did her son Ron--he always reminded me of my brother Skip. What a long life she had and very well lived--I know you girls will miss her.*

Betty Minyard Allen

Betty Minyard Allen - November 17, 2018 at 12:20 PM

CB

“ So sorry for your family. Thoughts and prayers.



CHRIS BOSWELL - November 15, 2018 at 06:29 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Florene Thomas.



November 15, 2018 at 03:46 PM

MB

“ Mary Jobe Bullard lit a candle in memory of Florene Thomas



Mary Jobe Bullard - November 15, 2018 at 12:28 AM

MB

I've known Florene all my life. She was a precious, beautiful friend. She will be missed very much. Love you Florene, so much.

Mary Jobe Bullard - November 15, 2018 at 12:31 AM