



Lona Thomas

November 26, 1915 - October 26, 2008

Lona Thomas, age 92 of Sale Creek went to be with her Lord Sunday afternoon, October 26, 2008 at a Soddy-Daisy nursing home. She was born in Mayking, KY on November 26, 1915 the daughter of the late Joseph and Betsy (Adams) Craft. She was also preceded in death by her husband Arthur Thomas.

Lona was a homemaker, enjoyed sewing and reading her bible. She was the oldest member of the Sale Creek Church of God.

She is survived by her three daughters, Wilma Gregory, Brenda (Johnny) Poe and Nyoka (Elmer) Yearwood all of Sale Creek, four sons, Rev. Orville (Sudie) Thomas of Tiptonville, Troy (Gracie) Thomas and Don (Alvarena) Thomas both of Sale Creek and Rev. Arthur (Lucy) Thomas of South Pittsburg, two sisters, Nancy (Charles) Walton of IN, Vaudrey Holbrook of Mayking, KY, three brothers, Clabe Craft and Curtis Craft both of KY, Ben Craft of OH, seventeen grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Lona will be held Wednesday at 12 Noon in the funeral home chapel with Bishop Kenneth Bolton and Rev. Dennis Goins officiating. Burial will be next to her husband in Rhea Memory Gardens followed by a white dove release.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will receive friends Tuesday from 3:00pm until 8:00pm.

Please share your memories of Lona on her on-line guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ I know Sudie and I went to school with Lucy. My husband (Johnny Hodge) graduated from Sale Creek High with Arthur. We just wanted to express our sympathy for your loss. Johnny and I have our own mothers waiting for us in heaven, we know the sadness of living in this world without them. We will pray that you each find peace and comfort in God's word.##imported-begin## Johnny and Donna (Reel) Hodge##imported-end##

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“ I am sorry I could not be there in Tennessee, but you were in my thoughts & prayers. I have one regret & that is when thoughts of Aunt Lona came to me, that I failed to go see her.

I know you will miss Aunt Lona & pray for comfort & healing for each of you in your loss. I still miss my mother & dad. God is good & in God's time we will all be together.

Blessings in Christ Love##imported-begin##Ron & Vauldra (Pace) Bailey##imported-end##

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“ Oh Ms Lona, I see that you've gone home and are with our Lord and Savior now! I am so happy for you. I will never forget when they had a singing at the nursing home and how you threw your arms up and shouted. You enjoyed it so. Anyoone could watch you and just know you had always moved in the ways of the Lord. You could leave nothing more precious to those who descend from you. I will miss seeing your sweet face and will remember you always. You are with my Mom now too. She went on ahead of you a couple of months ago one evening at the nursing home. Goodnight Ms.Lona, enjoy your homecoming, you are well deserving of it!###imported-begin###Becky Gill Thomas###imported-end###

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“ Maw I am going to miss you and I will never forget you. I will never forget the time that I would go with you to church on Wednesday nights or when I came to pick you up for church down on the creek. You are going to be missed so much. I am one of your proud great-grandchildren and I love you and the family so much. I know that Maw Thomas is in Heaven because she loved the Lord with everthing. I look forward to seeing her again!!!###imported-begin###Amanda Hale###imported-end###

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“ I know Maw may not be here in body but her spirit lives on in each of us. She taught us so many lessons during her time on earth but I believe that her greatest lesson was Love and faith. The love for one another and for that she held dear. The faith that believing in each other would bring us closer together and might even change the world around us for the better. It was that faith and love for her life that reserved her place among the angels and she will forever be with us to watch over us and to hold us together with the strength of thousands and the faith of one.
With all my love I wish her well and I know we will get to see her again some day happy and healthy and more Beautiful than ever.##imported-begin##Christina Rhnee Utt
(Yearwood)##imported-end##

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“ Maw Thomas you will be truely missed although you are in a better place. We love you and the family.##imported-begin##Misty Powell##imported-end##

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