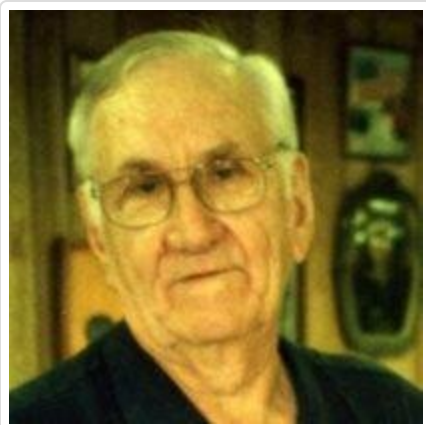




Robert Carroll Thomas

October 21, 1928 - April 9, 2014

Robert "Carroll" Thomas, Sr. age 85, of Dayton, died Wednesday morning, April 9, 2014 at his home. He was born October 21, 1928 in Evensville to the late Jacob Aaron and Stella (Swafford) Thomas. He was also preceded in death by his granddaughter, Amie Laymon and his three brothers, David, Calvin and Wendell "Rip" Thomas.

A resident of Dayton most of his life, Carroll was employed by Southern Railroad as a signalman and electrician for many years. He enjoyed antiques, gardening and raising cattle. Carroll served his country in the US Army during the Korean War. He was of the Church of God faith.

Carroll is survived by his wife of 60 years, Nina "Jo"(McNeil) Thomas, his son, Robert "Bobby" Thomas, Jr., both of Dayton; his three daughters, Janice Parks of Lenoir City, Phyllis (Ralph) Shelton and Karon (Randall) Watts, both of Dayton; brother, William (Gladys) Thomas of Warren, MI; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

Funeral services, with military honors, for Carroll will be held Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Don Fox officiating. He will be laid to rest in Rhea Memory Gardens on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Jewell Travis officiating.

Please share your memories of Carroll on his online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being served by Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will be receiving friends Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Rhea Memory Gardens	
Hwy 27	
Dayton, TN	

Tribute Wall



“ *Brother Carroll was a quiet soft spoken gentleman who love God and his family! Sure are going to miss Brother Carroll RIP Brother!! See you on the other side!!! God Bless Sister Jo and family!!! You are in my prayers and thoughts!!! Love everyone of you!!!*

Kathy Thompson - April 11, 2014 at 04:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Carroll Thomas.*



April 10, 2014 at 08:00 PM



“ *Jo and Phyllis- Mom and I want you to know how sorry we are for your loss. Sue Birchett and Doris Kimsey*



Sue Birchett - April 10, 2014 at 04:43 PM



Thank you so much, he will be greatly missed!

Phyllis Shelton - April 12, 2014 at 07:00 PM

MS

“ In all the 60 + years that I have known and loved Carroll, I have never heard a harsh word. I have never heard him raise his voice, especially to his wife or children. He is absolutely the finest man I have ever known. We will miss him forever but I know there is a celebration in HEAVEN today! He will live on in his family. We will never forget him!



Mary Helen Singletary - April 10, 2014 at 10:17 AM

PS

That is so true, he loved his country, God, and his family, he is irreplaceable!

Phyllis Shelton - April 12, 2014 at 07:01 PM

RF

“ Russ Fallis purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Robert Carroll Thomas.



Russ Fallis - April 10, 2014 at 10:14 AM

MS

“ Mary H. Singletary purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Robert Carroll Thomas.



Mary H. Singletary - April 10, 2014 at 10:09 AM

BS

“ So many memories at Carroll and Jo's house eating fresh picked Collard Greens from their back yard... He was truly a sweet person and will be greatly missed!

Brittany 'Nettles' Shoffner - April 09, 2014 at 09:48 PM

PM

“ Pop Carroll you were such a loving and gentle man. I will miss you. Hugs in Heaven. Love surrogate Daughter Paula
Please hug my very own parents for me I ask them to greet you. I will help look in on Girls and Momma Jo

paula miller - April 09, 2014 at 09:46 PM

KW

“ This is my daddy. He is the most kind, gentle, sweet, genuinely great man I have ever known. I wish for the world everyone had a Daddy like him, this old world would have been so great if there were more folks like him. I don't know how we are going to make it without him, but I know for a fact he is in Heaven and he is healed and happy! I love you so much Daddy, I can't wait to see you again!

Karon Watts - April 09, 2014 at 09:31 PM



“ Callie Belk lit a candle in memory of Robert Carroll Thomas



Callie Belk - April 09, 2014 at 08:51 PM

BW

“ *A true friend who has crossed over the river and is resting in the arms of JESUS.*

Bobby Wilson - April 09, 2014 at 06:51 PM

BW

“ *Bob,Brenda Wilson: lit a candle in memory of Robert Carroll Thomas*



Bob,Brenda Wilson: - April 09, 2014 at 06:50 PM

BW

Bro. Carroll you will be missed beyond measure. All the good times we have had together with you and Jo. You made the best fish and hushpuppies. Brother we will see you again on the other side.

Bob & Brenda Wilson - April 09, 2014 at 06:57 PM

WT

“ *William f. T. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Carroll Thomas.*



William f. T. - April 09, 2014 at 06:41 PM