



Leon Wesley Thomas

July 8, 1931 - December 22, 2017

Leon Wesley Thomas was born July 8, 1931, to the late Philip Walter Thomas, Sr., and Blanche Viola Hooper Thomas, in Denton, Maryland. He went to be with his Heavenly Father, the morning of December 22, 2017. Leon was the fourth of six children, four of whom preceded him in death: Catherine Friend, Otelia Nichols, Philip Thomas, Jr., and William Thomas. He is survived by sister, Cathy Thomas Murph.

Leon was educated in the Caroline County Educational System. He graduated from Lockerman High School in 1948.

Leon was inducted into the U. S. Army in July, 1952, where he served as a medic in the 19th Infantry Regiment. There, he received a Good Conduct Medal and a United Nations Medal with one Bronze Service Star.

Leon married the love of his life, his high school sweetheart, Eunice Aretha Friend. From this union, one child was born, Barbara Thomas.

Leon's employment history included working on his father's farm, at Brooks Nagel's farm, and William Prettyman, in the poultry business, all in Preston, Maryland. In January, 1950, he became an employee of James Julian, Inc. He helped construct roads in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania and Florida, operating heavy equipment, including cranes, bulldozers, and Caterpillars. He

received certificates relative to the operation, maintenance, and safety of numerous types of equipment utilized in connection with road construction. He also poured runways at the Dover Air Force Base.

Leon enjoyed hunting, gardening and being the neighborhood mechanic. He was considered the “Mr. Fix It” in the family.

Leon was a very active member of Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church until his wife became ill. He served on the Trustee Board and the Building and Fundraising Committees. He was also the general handyman for the church.

Leon leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Eunice Thomas; daughter, Barbara Thomas; adopted daughter, Norma Sharpe; four adopted grandchildren; godchildren; brother-in-law, Ellsworth Friend; sister-in-law, Joanne Murray; and a host of nieces, nephew, cousins and friends. He will be deeply and forever missed.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Leon Wesley Thomas, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

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“*My dear wife and I would like to extend our condolences for the loss of your loved one. All of us have experienced the pain of death in some way sad to say. And, so, at difficult times like this we are confronted with the stark reality of how precious and fragile life can surely be (James 4:14). So, my wife and I send this condolence to you with the hope that we can in some small way comfort you as it has comforted us with what the Bible reveals to us about GOOD NEWS from Almighty God. Please be assured that we are in no way trying to impose our faith on you; but we sincerely just want to extend comfort to you during your grief (Proverbs 17:17).*

As recorded in the Bible, God's only-begotten son, Jesus promises that one day he is personally going to bring back to life all those who have died, just as he did when he was on earth as a man (John 5:28, 29; 11:43, 44). Just as death is an enemy to us, it is also an enemy to God (1 Corinthians 15:26). For that reason, as well as others, He promises to remove FOREVER all the pain, suffering, wickedness, and DEATH that mankind has had to endure for thousands of years (Revelation 21:3-5; Psalm 37:10, 11, 29). What a glorious and almost unbelievable day that will be! It's a reality and a sure hope we can rely on because it is absolutely impossible for God to lie (Titus 1:2; Isaiah 55:10, 11).

It is our hope that you NOT take our word for what has been written in this condolence; but we encourage you to please take a moment to read and meditate on all these referenced scriptures in your own Bible (1 Timothy 4:15, 16). My wife and I are confident you will be encouraged and comforted by the marvelous hope God has in store for us (Psalm 1:1-3; John 17:3). Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

George & Christine Ragusa - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. Read Psalms 34:18 to help give you some comfort and peace at this sad time.

Irene - January 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ DEAR FAMILY, SO SORRY FOR YOUR RECENT LOSS, DEATH OF A LOVED ONE IS SO PAINFUL, PLEASE FIND COMFORT FROM THE SCRIPTURE FOUND AT REVELATION 21:3,4. IT PROMISES US THAT DEATH WILL BE DONE AWAY WITH AND THE FORMER THINGS WILL PASS AWAY WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY TO SEE OUR LOVED ONES AGAIN AND ALL PAIN AND SUFFERING WILL BE GONE.

Theresa whye - December 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ I would like to offer my sincere condolences for your loss. In such difficult time, many families appreciate the comfort offered by the Bible of the time when no one will lose a loved one in death and we will be able to enjoy life again with our loved one. (Isaiah 41:10; Revelation 21:3,4) I hope these thoughts will comfort you also.

JoyceA - December 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

H. Fields - December 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM