



Willie Alphonse Thomas Sr.

November 19, 2019

Willie A. "Pops" "Grandpa" Alphonse Thomas, Sr. entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at the age of 94. A native of Jackson, Mississippi. Son of the late Charity Thomas and George Clayton. At an early age his family moved to Independence, LA where he grew up. Pops enlisted into the Army and was a World War II Veteran after an Honorable Discharge he worked as a Longshoreman until he retired. He was first married to the late Rosemary Green. Rosemary was the mother of one daughter the late Frand (late Malbert) Pradd who Pops raised as his own. In their union they have one son Willie A. (Carol) Thomas Jr. and one daughter Lavern Thomas. His second marriage to Jacqueline Lazard for 24 until her death. Mrs. Jacqueline has four kids Vanessa (Bobbye), Jocelyn, Byron and Damon. Brother of Maize Warren (Emelda) of New Orleans, Earvin Warren (Cora) of Independence, David and Joyce Clayton of Seattle, Washington, Angeline Ord of New Orleans, Lula Mae Gatton of Independence; Bertha Harrell of Amite and the late Betty Gibson, Georgia Mae Carter and Clara Jones. Brother-in-law of Ennis Gibson of Hammond, Richard Thomas, Norman Warren and the late Clarence Gatton, Leroy Harrell, Jessie Carter and Johnnie Jones. He was also preceded in death by 2 grandsons Alphonse McGee and Paul Sanders and a niece Kendra Warren-Johnson. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, 4 great great grandchildren and a house of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Relatives and friends of the family, also Pastors, Officers and Members of

New Hope MBC, and employees and staff of Chateau De Norte Dame, University Hospital, Kid Med and Shell Oil are invited to attend the funeral service at 11:00 AM on Friday, November 29, 2019 at New Home MBC, 1807 John Raphael St., New Orleans, LA. Visitation will be from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM. Interment: Resthaven Cemetery. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home. Proudly operated and owned by The Rhodes Family.

Cemetery Details

Resthaven Cemetery

New Orleans, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Hope Baptist Church
1807 LaSalle Street
New Orleans, LA 70113

Service

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