



## Betty James Thomas

November 26, 1935 - January 26, 2024

Betty James Thomas, 88, of Chattanooga, passed away Friday, January 26, 2024, in a local hospital. She was the only child born to James and Beatrice Powers in Chattanooga, Tennessee on November 26, 1935. Betty attended Howard High School and graduated in 1954. She was married to Jimmie Whatley, Sr. for many years. Her marriage to her second husband, John Thomas, was filled with lots of love until his untimely passing. She gave birth to 2 children and was gifted with 16 additional children through marriage. Betty was an active member of Mt. Paran Missionary Baptist Church until her health failed. She served on the Mother Board, and in the Choir and was a part of the Women's Ministry. She loved her church family. Her favorite songs were 'Jesus Is Real' and 'His Eye Is On The Sparrow'. Betty was employed by Hamilton County Nursing Home for 20 years, diligently caring for the sick before retiring. Betty leaves to cherish her memories one son, Jimmie L. Whatley, Jr. (Wanda); daughter, Monalisa Whatley, both of Chattanooga; grandchildren, Jimmy L. (Wendy) Whatley, III, Tanika Whatley, and Tchala Whatley; great-grandchildren, Quran, Tamar, Takilya, Braden, Kanye, Kimora, Jadakis, and Cornelius, all of Chattanooga; special friends, Carolyn Pines, Betty Swan, and Jenny Maffett; other relatives and many friends. Betty will lie-in-state on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 9 a.m. with the funeral service to follow at 2 p.m. in the chapel with Pastor Randy Petersen as the eulogist.

# Previous Events

## Lie-In-State

FEB 3. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411

## Service

FEB 3. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

EA

“ *SWEET LADY , REST NOW , and ENJOY  
HEAVEN . WE WILL MISS YOU .....  
SCOTTY and JANET ALLEN*



EDWIN ALLEN - February 04, 2024 at 01:04 PM

JE

“ *From our family to yours...our thoughts and prayers are with you  
during this time. May God's love and strength surround you both  
Mona and Chip offering comfort and peace.*

*Love Jean*

Jean - February 03, 2024 at 02:30 PM

ME

“ *Madeana Evans lit a candle in memory of  
Betty James Thomas*



Madeana Evans - February 03, 2024 at 10:21 AM

NK

“ *Nita Kilgore-Montgomery sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Betty James Thomas*



Nita Kilgore-Montgomery - February 02, 2024 at 10:15 PM

TW

“ *Sincerest Condolences, Heaven Gained An Angel 🙏.*

Tchala & Arnetta Whatley - February 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about MS Betty, God bless the family*



Kenneth Walker - February 02, 2024 at 10:36 AM

EW

“ *TO THE FAMILY OF MISS BETTY; SHE DID NOT WORK ON MY FLOOR AT HAMILTON COUNTY NURSING HOME , BUT SHE VISITED MY FLOOR ALL DAY BECAUSE HER MOM WAS ONE OF MY PATIENTS.  
BETTY WAS ALL SMILES AND CARES FOR ALL PEOPLE. I WAS THANKFUL TO KNOW HER AND HER MOM AT HAMILTON COUNTY NURSING HOME. MAY HER FAMILY KNOW THAT SHE WAS KIND HEARTED WITH CHRISTIAN POTENTS ABOUT HER AS WELL..*

edith joyce wadley - February 01, 2024 at 10:02 PM

TS

“ *Thomas Smith lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas*



Thomas Smith - February 01, 2024 at 08:21 AM

TS

*My Deepest Sympathy to The Family.*

Thomas Smith - February 01, 2024 at 08:31 AM

PR

“ Patricia Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



patricia reynolds - February 01, 2024 at 06:15 AM

DD

“ Diane Dews lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Diane Dews - January 31, 2024 at 01:08 PM

NG

“ My condolences to the family. Nancy Gordon from Chicago

NANCY GORDON - January 31, 2024 at 11:29 AM

TF

“ Tracy Lynn Marsh @ Family's lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Tracy Lynn Marsh @ Family's - January 30, 2024 at 11:16 PM

TF

*We going to miss you Mrs Betty*

Tracy Lynn Marsh @ Family's - January 30, 2024 at 11:18 PM

TF

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Tracy Lynn Marsh @ Family's - January 30, 2024 at 11:23 PM

MM

“ Myrtle Marsh lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Myrtle Marsh - January 30, 2024 at 11:13 PM

BG

“ Betty Garth lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Betty Garth - January 29, 2024 at 05:01 PM

PR

“ PATRICIA REYNOLDS sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty James Thomas



PATRICIA REYNOLDS - January 29, 2024 at 11:19 AM

JF

“Joyce Fears lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Joyce Fears - January 28, 2024 at 02:04 PM

VT

“Vickie Fielder Thornhill lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Vickie Fielder Thornhill - January 27, 2024 at 02:23 PM

TS

“Teresa Songer lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Teresa Songer - January 27, 2024 at 07:28 AM

VT

“Vickie Fielder Thornhill lit a candle in memory of Betty James Thomas



Vickie Fielder Thornhill - January 26, 2024 at 10:41 PM

TW

“ *Grandma I’m missing so much. I really don’t know how I’m about to do life without you. Keep watching over us! And remember that you will always be MY ACE BOON COON! I love grandma. LLBETTY*

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**Tanika Whatley** - January 26, 2024 at 04:31 PM