



## Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman

July 5, 1954 - September 28, 2014

Thelma Jane Collier-Coleman was a beloved mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great-grandmother, and dearest friend to countless. Her spirit permeated the very heart of all that she encountered. She professed not only a hope in Christ at an early age but embraced a deep and lasting love for our savior Lord Jesus Christ that has covered her all the days of her life. She was a true beacon of light that God used to usher an honest, pure, and humbling love through. Thelma never knew a stranger. She always showed compassion for others and her love had no boundaries.

Thelma departed this life after a lengthy illness on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital in Jackson, TN. She fought a good fight. She was born on July 5, 1954 in Jackson, TN to the late Mr. Little Samuel Collier and the late Mrs. Myrtle Ora Lee Combs-Collier. Thelma was the youngest of eleven children born to this union.

Thelma professed a hope in Christ at an early age and joined Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church in Humboldt, TN under the leadership of Reverend Owens, later worship was under the leadership of Reverend John H. Mathis. After moving to Jackson, TN she immediately secured membership with Greater St. Luke Baptist Church where Reverend Author Anderson presided as pastor. Later Thelma moved her membership to New St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Reverend D. E. Blaylock where she remained a faithful member until her untimely death.

She attended elementary and high school at Stigall High, the historic all black school for AfricanAmericans in Humboldt, TN. After her vocational education she embraced a passion for customer service beginning with Jackson Madison County General Hospital. This natural talent was nurtured while working at Belk, Upton's, and Goldsmith's (presently Macy's). Thelma had a flare for fashion and keeping it classy.

She had a natural inclination to see the inner beauty of others. Her heart was a blank canvas where she was inspired to connect spiritually with her clients to create works of art

and visions of beauty from within by simply taking the time to understand the very heart of a person.

Her cosmetic artistry spoke volumes for countless women and revealed that beauty begins from within. She painted the radiance of a person's heart and made them beautiful from without. That is what was truly unique about her ... she looked for the beauty of God in all things even herself and this is why she mirrored a flawless and perfected beauty while she lived among us.

She was married to Larry Coleman from 1973-1993 and within this union they nurtured four children. Thelma embraced being a loving mother and dearly loved "her girls" as well as her son who preceded her prematurely in death.

Thelma leaves to cherish her memory three daughters, Rosland Adams (Terry), Giovonni Coleman and Candis Graves all of Jackson, TN; six grandchildren, Stanley Adams, Kyrie Adams, Akeiyla Adams, Nevaeh Coleman, June Graves and Isaiah Coleman; and one great-grandchild, ShanNa'ya Adams.

She leaves one favorite brother, James Collier, Sr. (Peggy) of Robbins, IL; five sisters, Delois Stroud (Frank) of West Mont, IL, Wilma Campbell of Jackson, TN, Samella Davis of Detroit, MI, Cora Johnson (Roscoe) of Humboldt, TN and Linda Montgomery of Chicago, IL. One aunt, Fannie Johnson (Elmer Lee) of Humboldt, TN and one uncle Lee Bradford of Chicago, IL in addition to a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Thelma will also be missed by her very special companion in life, Othie Barnett, "affectionately known as Mr. B."

She was preceded in death by her infant son, Latarus Coleman, four sisters, Mary "Mama Lou" Luster, Rebecca Collier, Ruth Gordon and Fannie "Faye" Clark.

# Cemetery Details

## Rosehill Cemetery

South 17th Street  
Humboldt, TN 38343

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 3. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

New St. Luke Baptist Church  
1670 North Royal Street  
Jackson, TN

## Service

OCT 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

New St. Luke Baptist Church  
1670 North Royal Street  
Jackson, TN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:37 PM

RF

“ *Ruthie Franklin lit a candle in memory of Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman*



**Ruthie Franklin** - October 03, 2014 at 09:50 PM

BM

“ *My condolences to the family at this time of loss. May you find comfort in knowing that our Heavenly Father has the power and the desire to restore life to those we have lost.  
(Job 14:14,15) Hold on to all your happy memories as we await the fulfillment of all  
God's promises.*

**Beatrice Mitchell** - October 03, 2014 at 06:50 PM

AP

“ *Angie L Phillips purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman .*



**Angie L Phillips** - October 03, 2014 at 03:04 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman .*



October 02, 2014 at 08:35 PM

LM

“ Our Prayers and deepest Sympathy are going out to the Entire family. God Bless each of you. Lora Ransey-Moore and The Ransey

Lora Moore - October 01, 2014 at 06:21 PM

LS

“ We are praying for you and your family. God is always with us. You have our deepest sympathy.

Shonet and Linda Short



Linda Short - October 01, 2014 at 10:49 AM

MW

“ Mary Wynne sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman



Mary Wynne - September 30, 2014 at 10:13 PM

MW

“ I remember when Thelma and I were in attendance together in a class at Humboldt High School. I saw her last at Lane's home coming game with one of her daughters in October 2012. I never saw her again. My heart is broken now. This is not how I wanted to remember her. She was such a beauty and a kind woman. Take your rest now. RWP



Mary Wynne - September 30, 2014 at 10:12 PM

LS

“ Laretta Sanders lit a candle in memory of Ms. Thelma Jane Collier Coleman



Laretta Sanders - September 30, 2014 at 05:54 PM

MG

“ To the family of *Thelma Collier Coleman*. God never meant for us to deal with anything in life on our own, therefore He will help you through the grief and pain that each one is experiencing right now. Each day will get better knowing that God takes the best to add to his bouquet and that you will see *Thelma* and all your love ones again. Will continue be in our prayers.

Love,

*Uncle Lee and Mattie*

*Mattie (schoolmate of Otha)*

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**Mattie Gillispie** - September 30, 2014 at 12:02 AM

MW

“ To the family of *Thelma Coleman*, I am praying for you right now and I know with the Lord's help everything will be ok. *Thelma* and I would see each other at *Kirkland Cancer Center*, she would say *Martha* we just have to take one day at a time. She will be missed.

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**Martha Williams** - September 29, 2014 at 03:08 PM