



## Wanda Thomas

November 20, 1928 - September 23, 2025

Wanda Jean Thomas traded her earthly home for a heavenly one with Jesus Christ her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, September 23, 2025. She was joyfully reunited with her husband, David A. Thomas Jr., daughter, Jillian, and both of her parents –all of whom precede her in death.

Wanda was born on November 20, 1928, to Bill and Bessie Eppler of Wynnewood, Oklahoma, where she graduated from high school in 1946. During that time, she frequently visited relatives living in Terrell. On one such visit, a family member introduced her to his dear friend, D.A. Thomas, whom she married a year later.

Wanda busied herself with raising her three children, David III, Gena, and Jill, as well as working for Southwestern Ball, with the goal of teaching school children. Eventually she entered college and received a master's degree in education, in which she utilized her degree to teach for 25 years at the Terrell Elementary school.

Wanda was an active member of The First Baptist Church teaching Sunday school and singing in the church choir. Wanda's favorite pastime activity was listening and creating music as well as cheering on her favorite football team, the O.U Sooners.

Wanda's legacy is left to be carried on by her children, David A. Thomas III and Gena Cummings, as well as her grandchildren: Andrea Placzek, Austin Thomas, Adam Thomas, Casey Cummings, Blaine Basham, and Jessica French; 10 beautiful great-grandchildren; her sister, Billie June May; as well as many other extended family members and friends that will cherish the memories of Wanda dearly.

A public visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, September 29, 2025 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel. Wanda's funeral service will be at 11 a.m., Tuesday, September 30, 2025 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Oakland Memorial Park.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

SEP **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

## Funeral Service

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Thomas*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - September 30, 2025 at 10:20 AM



“ *71 files added to the album Memories Album*



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“ *Judy Eppler lit a candle in memory of Wanda Thomas*



Judy Eppler - September 29, 2025 at 10:50 PM

CS

“ *Light A candle for Wanda Thomas.*



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**Charlie Samples** - September 27, 2025 at 10:58 PM

GC

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I am praying for your family 🙏 Mrs. Thomas was such a wonderful lady.*

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**Georgia McDaniel Cheek** - September 27, 2025 at 02:15 PM

KS

“ *Karo Smith Stewart lit a candle in memory of Wanda Thomas*



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**Karo Smith Stewart** - September 27, 2025 at 12:26 PM

KP

“ *We were neighbors for many years and spent many hours in their lovely home. Her kind ways were always welcoming. We basically grew up with her kids. The kids were often across the street at our house too. That teacher in her always made her attentive to us. Her love for Jesus was obvious. We send our sympathy and love. Kay and Carmen Pulley*

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**Kay Pulley** - September 26, 2025 at 09:19 PM

FF

“ Frank Farmer lit a candle in memory of Wanda Thomas



Frank Farmer - September 26, 2025 at 07:13 PM

BW

“ I remember when your parents lived down the street from me. They were a joy to be around. My thoughts and prayers are with the family! 🙏

Beth Wilder - September 26, 2025 at 02:17 PM

BW

“ Beth Wilder lit a candle in memory of Wanda Thomas



Beth Wilder - September 26, 2025 at 02:14 PM

EK

“ Gina and David so sorry to hear this. Wanda and your dad were great neighbors and we solved lots of things on our front porch. She was a great friend and will be missed. Love you guys. ❤️❤️❤️❤️ 🙏🙏🙏



Elaine Kasper - September 25, 2025 at 09:52 AM



“ I can remember when she was expecting Jill. She was my third grade teacher. I only didn't like that Gena wasn't in my class! That was the first year we changed classes, I think, for Math and Reading.



*Much love to the Thomas family.*

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**Sharon Collins** - September 24, 2025 at 01:20 PM



“ I loved Ms Wanda dearly. Such a beautiful lady.

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**Kesa Giles** - September 24, 2025 at 11:54 AM