



## Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas

August 7, 1931 - December 28, 2022

Mary Alene Solomon Thomas, 91, of Lynchburg, South Carolina was born August 7, 1931. She entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at the MUSC Health Medical Center in Florence, SC and was the widow of Joseph Tarent Thomas, Sr.

Mary was born, raised, and lived in Lynchburg, South Carolina. She attended Lee County Public Schools, Florence County Public Schools and graduated from Wilson High School in Florence, South Carolina in, 1950. She later earned a bachelor's degree from Allen University, Columbia, South Carolina in, 1954.

Mary accepted Christ at an early age and joined Mount Pleasant AME Church in Lynchburg, South Carolina. She enjoyed fellowship within her home church; Mary sung on the choir, taught Sunday school, and was president of the Missionary department. She also volunteered for other duties when asked. As a memorial tribute to her husband being county president of the NAACP, Mary purchased a NAACP lifetime membership for Mount Pleasant AME Church. Mary was a devoted church member for over 60 years until her transition. Mary had a love for home economics and excelled in sewing, decorating, cooking, and baking. She had a passion for teaching and mentoring youth. Mary taught home economics at Mount Pleasant High School in Elliott, South Carolina for 32 years until retirement. Two years before the state of South Carolina began Kindergarten School; she started and taught a summer program called "Play School" at Mount Pleasant High School. She enjoyed

traveling and experiencing diverse cultures. While at home, she loved working in her vegetable and flower gardens. She found interest in politics and worked as a poll worker after retiring from teaching.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Sam Wescott Solomon, Sr. and Calperty Cusaac Solomon ;

her husband Joseph Tarent Thomas, Sr.; six brothers, Sam Solomon Jr., Eleazer Solomon, Zaddock Solomon, Thomas Solomon, James Solomon and Winton Solomon; one sister, Julia Solomon Wilson.

Those left to cherish precious memories are her two sons, Joseph T. (Doris) Thomas, Jr. of Indian Trail, North Carolina and David (Pam) Thomas of Holly Springs, North Carolina; three grandchildren, Andrew Thomas, David D. Thomas and Roshika N. Bacote; seven great-grandchildren, her sister Calpernia Solomon (Roosevelt) Nixon; along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Please consider a donation to: Joseph and Mary Thomas, Sr. Scholarship Fund at Mount Pleasant AME Church, P.O. Box 225 Lynchburg, South Carolina, 29080. The Scholarship is awarded to the High School Senior with the highest-Grade Point Average (GPA) that attends Mount Pleasant AME Church.

\*The service will be Lived Streamed at: Mt. Pleasant AME Church-Facebook page (no code necessary).

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Sumter  
304 South Main Street  
Sumter, SC 29150  
(803) 773-3381  
palmermemorialchapel@sc.rr.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 7. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Mt. Pleasant AME  
1800 Vista Lane  
Lynchburg, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Mary. What a beautiful soul you were. Whenever I visited, it was your home I came to. I'm just learning of your passing. May you rest in peace. See you on the other side.*

**Rebecca Solomon Cumbo** - August 11, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ *It was a blessing to have known Mrs Thomas as a friend and member of our extended family. On behalf of the Duren family I extend our prayers and sympathy to the family. Titus Duren.*

**Titus Duren** - January 17, 2023 at 07:27 AM



“ *Condolences from the Clavon Family!*

**Keisha Dicks** - January 12, 2023 at 08:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas.*



January 07, 2023 at 10:52 AM

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“ *LADY Mary Alene Solomon Thomas a BLESSING to HUMANITY within the Education Arena and Beyond. GOD'S continual BLESSINGS upon EVERYONE*



Dessie A. Mixon Davis - January 06, 2023 at 10:07 AM

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“ *Atrium Wake Forest High Point family!! purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas.*



Atrium Wake Forest High Point family!! - January 05, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas.*



January 05, 2023 at 08:19 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family ! S.I.P Virginia Ann Fortune Durant*

Virginia Ann Durant - January 04, 2023 at 09:05 PM



“ *Ms Thomas you will be missed very deeply. You taught me how to sew in 11th grade and you was aww so patient with it. You also gave plenty life lessons along with it. I will cherish our memories forever and always. Submitted by Trena Benjamin your 11th grade student*

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**Trena Benjamin** - January 04, 2023 at 09:14 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Mary Alene Solomon Thomas.*



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January 04, 2023 at 05:03 AM