



Marian Meade Thomas

October 5, 1931 - June 3, 2024

Marian Meade Thompson Thomas, 92, passed away on June 3, 2024 after a rapid decline in health. Marian was born October 5, 1931 to the late Elizabeth Marian Meeks and Marvin Wellons Thompson. From the very beginning, she was a person to overcome adverse situations. She was the first baby placed in an incubator in a Charlotte hospital, born premature under 3 pounds. She just couldn't wait to get started!

In her earlier years, Marian was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Danville, VA and was an accomplished graduate of George Washington High School Class of 1949. She attended Longwood College before meeting and marrying the love of her life, Walter Lea Thomas III in 1952.

Soon after moving to Milton, she joined Milton United Methodist Church, serving many years as a Sunday school teacher. As a mother to 5 children, 6 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren, she still managed to stay active in her church and advancing her community. Marian was a member of the Milton Town Council, Milton Women's Club, Caswell Historical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution and Wednesday Club of Danville.

The Thomas Day/Yellow Tavern Restoration was a passion of hers for over 20 years, serving as President. Her energy and enthusiasm for this project was recognized twice, representing the organization at the White House. In

addition, she was asked to serve on the advisory board for the Thomas Day collection in Raleigh, in coordination with the NC Cultural Resources.

In her life, she tried to experience every adventure, from the city to the country, boating, and helicopter rides over glaciers in Alaska. She has been fortunate enough to travel to Europe, Mexico, several islands, Canada and various places in the United States and Nova Scotia. Her biggest adventure of all was raising her family here in Caswell County.

Known by many names (Marian, Mom, Grandma, Amah and Gigi) she is much loved and has a family who truly cherishes her memory and storytelling. She has helped to instill many values, but most of all, she has taught her family to be strong in their Christian faith and service to the Lord, leading to a fuller, richer life.

Marian is survived by her children Marilea Compton, Marc Thomas (Diane), Elizabeth Pressley (Robert), and Maribeth Howe (Hunter); grandchildren Caylen Myers (Luke), Lauryn Thomas, Kristen Dailey (Martin), Lea Thomas V, and Will Pressley; along with 5 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased in death by her love "Lea", son Walter Lea Thomas IV (survived by Julie), and grandson Robert Pressley.

Memorials may be made to Milton United Methodist Church, % John Thomas, Treasurer, 8085 NC Hwy 62 North, Milton, NC 27305.

Visitation will be held Friday, June 7 from 6:00-7:30 at Milton United Methodist Church. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 on Saturday, June 8, at Cedar Cemetery in Milton, NC.

Wrenn-Yeatts Memorial Funeral Home of Yanceyville is respectfully serving the Thomas family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Milton United Methodist Church
100 Fairview Drive
Milton, NC 27305

Graveside Service

JUN 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Cedar Cemetery
Cedar Cemetery Road
Milton, NC 27305

Tribute Wall



“ *Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marian Meade Thomas*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 07, 2024 at 07:03 PM

DJ

“ *One of the best storytellers and her humor always made my day. I met her in water exercise at ywca where I instructed class back in early 2000.*

My condolences to her family 🙏❤️

Deborah b jones - June 07, 2024 at 06:27 PM



“ *My Wife and I moved to Milton two and a half years ago. We met this beautiful lady at Church and I fell in love with her, as did my wife. She welcomed us to her home and to be part of her family (I asked her to adopt me and she did) Unofficially. I sat behind her at Church and I would listen to her sing our hymns, she had a lovely voice. Then I noticed that she never held the hymnal, she knew all the words. We visited with her several times and loved her stories about Historic Milton. I loved her so much, my heart will be forever broken until I meet her again in Heaven.*

Stephen Lattime - June 07, 2024 at 03:25 PM



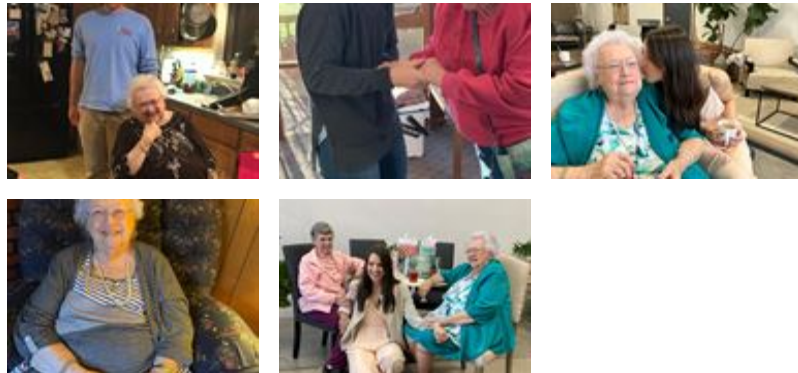
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Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 07, 2024 at 09:50 AM



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Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 06, 2024 at 02:41 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of *Marian Meade Thomas*.



June 06, 2024 at 11:59 AM

DH

“ So very sorry for the loss of this beautiful lady. Sending love and prayers for the family. She was a wonderful lady and loved by so many. Will truly be missed by all who knew her. God bless you all ❤️🙏❤️



Dean (Gusler) Hodges - June 06, 2024 at 12:18 AM

RS

“ Mrs. Thomas was a "one of a kind" in my opinion. She was always smiling and she one of my most ardent customers. Always made me feel comfortable around her and I enjoyed conversations with her. I found her to be keen witted, very friendly and extremely affable. I am so sorry to learn of her passing and extend my warmest wishes and prayers to the entire Thomas family.

Richard Schivley - June 05, 2024 at 07:32 PM

LS

“ My prayers are with you all during this time. Marion was one of a kind and loved by everyone that knew her, she will be greatly missed.



LOU SLADE - June 05, 2024 at 07:30 PM

MD

“ Milton Volunteer Fire Department purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Marian Meade Thomas.



Milton Volunteer Fire Department - June 05, 2024 at 01:39 PM



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Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 05, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Marian Meade Thomas.*



June 05, 2024 at 12:43 PM



“ *A shining light with her beaming smile for everyone that she met . It didn't matter if she knew you or not , you always felt that she was your best friend ... what a wonderful quality to possess ! ❤️ She will be missed by young and old , family and friends for years to come .. Rest peacefully Mrs. Thomas .. 🕊️*
Gail Williams and family

Gail Williams - June 05, 2024 at 08:21 AM

BA

“ *Barbara Alston sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Meade Thomas*



Barbara Alston - June 04, 2024 at 08:21 PM

LW

“ *She was one of the sweetest, ladies I have ever known. One of my favorite people. Thought a lot of her. My prayers are with the entire family.*

Lisa Watlington - June 04, 2024 at 08:19 PM

PJ

Prayers for all family and friends love Pamela Boswell Jones

pamela Jones - June 05, 2024 at 12:06 PM