



James D. Thomas

October 19, 1942 - July 25, 2011

James D. "Jaybird" Thomas, 68, of Vossburg, died Monday, July 25, 2011 at Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg after a long hard battle with cancer. Funeral services will be held at 11 am Friday, July 29, 2011 at Memory Chapel with burial to follow at Vossburg Cemetery in Jasper County. Rev. Joe Lofton and Rev. Bill Boulton will officiate. He was retired from Denbury and was a member of Vossburg Methodist Church. Mr. Thomas was preceded in death by his parents, Dentie Thomas and Ida Bell Stembridge Thomas, and two brothers, Max Thomas and Johnny Thomas. Survivors include his wife, Sandra E. Thomas of Vossburg; daughter, Ann T. Young and husband Michael of Madison; two grandchildren, Peyton Young and Brayden Young; brother, Jerry Thomas of Brookhaven; sister-in-law, Mary Ann Thomas of Laurel; and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Rodney Winn, Billy Thornburg, Gerry Tubbs, Buddy Sauls, Johnny Walker, and Mike Hickson. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the American Cancer Society, Mid-South Division, Inc., Jasper Unit, P. O. Box 8217, Jackson, MS 39284-8217 or your favorite charity. Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 pm Thursday, July 28 and from 10 am until the time of service Friday, July 29 at Memory Chapel of Laurel which is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *Mr Jaybird was such a nice and funny man. My mom (and her family) all went to school with him and were all very fond of him. I remember him from coaching the Heidelberg softball team and them coming to Waynesboro to play against us! He would pick on me the entire game and hug me at the end! He will be missed by so many! My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.*

Christy Fulmer McLeod - July 29, 2011 at 09:05 AM

MW

“ *Our prayers are with you, Sandra, and all of your family.*

Martha Reid Withrow - July 28, 2011 at 12:13 PM

WB

“ *Seems like yesterday that Papa was picking up Peyton and helping her travel the monkey bars....great memory. We love you all and are keeping you in our daily prayers!*

Wayne, Susan, Peyton and Parker Boshart - July 27, 2011 at 08:17 PM

AC

“ *Sandra: I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time in your lives. Anita Cochran & family, & Pearl Herrington*

Anita Cochran - July 27, 2011 at 02:08 PM

TA

“ *So sorry for you loss, our thoughts and prayers are with your family*

Terri Atkinson - July 27, 2011 at 10:34 AM