



Raymond T. Thornton

December 3, 1926 - April 22, 2025

Raymond T. Thornton, 98, born December 3, 1926 in Isola, MS. Raymond was a proud U. S. Army Veteran. He went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

He was preceded in death by his parents Arthur and Lottie Malone Thornton; brothers Milton, Hollis, Almond, Harold, and Leroy Thornton; and sisters Inez Wiloughby and Mildred Jones; his son-in-law Tony Pineda; and an infant son Raymond Thornton Jr.

Raymond became a member of Trinity Baptist Church in October, 1964. He loved the Lord and served the Lord dearly. He will be missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his loving wife of 72 years Laura Craft Thornton, and his children Sheila Holifield (Ray), Cindy Pineda, and Randy Thornton (Jan). Grandchildren are Brian Holifield (Allyson), Tonya Hill, Steven and Stanley Thornton, Summer Brooks, Tyler Pineda (Hali), Chase Pineda, and Bailee Hancock (Megann). Great grandchildren are Carley Jones (Wesley); Cambrey Hill; Jackson, Jenna and Jacey Holifield; Alissa, Paisley and Paxton Pineda; Riggs and Rowe Pineda; Mason, Chandler and Cole Thornton; Bryce, Samantha and Dawson Brooks, Lilly, Daisy and Lexi Thornton; Bella Hancock; and one great great grandchild Neiley Jones.

He retired from Crumbley Paper Company at the age of 83. He loved his family and his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He never met a stranger and loved to talk. He could tell many funny stories.

The family would like to thank the staff at Comfort Care Nursing Home for all the good care for him for the last four years.

The funeral will be Friday, April 25, 2025 at Trinity Baptist Church. Bro. Bill Blair will officiate. Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 and the service will be at 11:00 a.m. Burial will be in Sunset Gardens Cemetery, Laurel, MS.

Pallbearers will be grandsons, Brian Holifield, Jackson Holifield, Tyler Pineda, Bailee Hancock, Stanley Thornton, and son-in-law Ray Holifield.

Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Gardens Cemetery

1206 Wansley Road
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Baptist Church
35 Trinity Rd
Laurel, MS 39440

Service

APR 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

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35 Trinity Rd
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Tribute Wall

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“ Billy and Shelia Thornton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond T. Thornton.

Billy and Shelia Thornton - April 25, 2025 at 09:48 AM

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“ Billy and Shelia Thornton purchased the Simply E legant *Spathiphyllum* for the family of Raymond T. Thornton.



Billy and Shelia Thornton - April 25, 2025 at 09:48 AM

JG

“ My husband Wayne Graham shared a room with Mr Raymond. It was sweet to see the affection he had with his wife. So sorry for your loss. Prayers that God will bless everyone with peace and comfort for the days ahead.

Judy Nix Graham - April 24, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Raymond T. Thornton.

April 24, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond T. Thornton.*



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“ *Uncle Raymond will be sorely missed. He was the most loving man and loved the Lord fiercely! We looked forward to seeing him annually for our Thornton reunion, for he kept us in stitches with his stories! Rest in peace Uncle Raymond and join your family in heaven... love you so much, Wanda, Bo and Kyle Willoughby King* ❤️❤️❤️



wanda willoughby king - April 23, 2025 at 07:38 PM