



## Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas

September 21, 1956 - June 23, 2024

Helen (Coleman) Thomas was born on September 21, 1956, in Egremont, MS to Dorothy and the late James Coleman. In 1975, she married her high school sweetheart, the late Albert Thomas and they had two children, Tena and Ron.

With boldness and determination, Helen walked away from a factory job and pursued a career in nursing. She was accepted in the License Practical Nursing (LPN) School in Vicksburg, MS in 1979. She completed the 14 month program, but not without great sacrifice to her young family. After working as an LPN for several years and determined to broaden her career path, she completed her studies as an Emergency Medical Technician. After working in this field for a number of years, she once again set her sights on pursuing a higher-level degree as a Registered Nurse. Her take-charge attitude and work ethics forged her ahead to take on new challenges. Helen worked as a nurse for more than 30 years in various positions with the most notable one being Director of Nursing, Heritage Manor Nursing Home, in Rolling Fork, MS. She cared greatly for her patients and was a staunch advocate for her nursing staff.

In 1968, Helen accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour and was baptized at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. Later, she attended World of Life Church and was so impacted by the service that she drove over an hour from Rolling Fork to attend Wednesday night seroices. She transferred her

membership from Mt. Olive to World of Life Church on April 16, 2013.

Helen eventually moved from Rolling Fork to Ridgeland to be closer to her children and grandchildren and her new church. She served in the bookstore and as a greeter for several years. She loved her church and often shared that with others. She was affectionately called "MeMe" by her grandchildren because grandmother and granny just didn't suit her.

Helen's generous heart, infectious laugh, and love for life will be missed by all who loved her.

Helen is survived by her mother: Dorothy Coleman; her daughter: Catena Thomas (Jerry); granddaughter Theri and grandson Jeremy; her son: Kwajaleon Thomas (Kimberly); grandsons: Malik, Kwajaleon, Jr. (K), Kyler, Kameron; and granddaughter: Kel Stamps; her siblings: Linda Moffett (O'Neal), Willie Coleman, Str., James Coleman (Penny), Samuel Andres (Florence), Danny Coleman (Marilyn), Velma Shipley, Glenn Coleman (Jennifer), Lesia Coleman-Linzy (Preston), and Donald Coleman (Betty; her sister-in-law: Sue Ann Coleman; nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family and friend...

She is preceded in death by her brothers: Alvin Coleman and Rickey Coleman: and brother-in-law: Douglas Shipley.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakeland Place Garden Park Cemetery

6004 Hwy 25  
Flowood, MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 28.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home  
745 Highway 468  
Brandon, MS 39042  
(601) 825-3884  
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

## Homegoing Service

**JUN 29.** 12:00 PM (CT)

Word Of Life Church  
5401 Lakeland Dr.  
Flowood, MS 39232

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - June 28, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.*



June 27, 2024 at 11:12 PM



“ *Doris Andrews lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas*



Doris Andrews - June 27, 2024 at 09:03 PM

MM

“ *Mrs M. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.*



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**Mrs M.** - June 27, 2024 at 07:06 PM

EA

“ *Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas*



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**Eddie Ainsworth** - June 27, 2024 at 07:03 PM

EW

“ *Eldridge Walker lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas*



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**Eldridge Walker** - June 27, 2024 at 05:43 PM

EW

“ *Our Condolences To The Family of Helen Jean Thomas  
From Mayor Eldridge J. Walker and Family*



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**Eldridge Walker** - June 27, 2024 at 05:38 PM

GF

“ Glenn Coleman & family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.



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**Glenn Coleman & family** - June 27, 2024 at 04:20 PM

GF

“ Glenn Coleman & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.

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**Glenn Coleman & family** - June 27, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Valencia Coleman Louie lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas



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**Valencia Coleman Louie** - June 27, 2024 at 03:48 PM

CA

“ Sending our deepest sympathy to the Thomas family, May you hold on to the wonderful memories in your heart and find comfort and strength to face the days ahead .

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**Cynthia Allen** - June 26, 2024 at 07:40 PM

DC

“ Donald Coleman lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas



Donald Coleman - June 26, 2024 at 05:25 PM

PC

“ Penny Coleman lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas



Penny Coleman - June 26, 2024 at 04:30 PM

LM

“ Linda Moffett lit a candle in memory of Helen Thomas



Linda Moffett - June 26, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.



June 26, 2024 at 02:53 PM

IP

“ *Condolences to the Thomas and Coleman family*



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**Ivon Prewitt** - June 26, 2024 at 12:56 PM

UD

“ *US Foods Transportation Dept. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.*



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**US Foods Transportation Dept.** - June 26, 2024 at 09:51 AM

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“ *US Foods Transportation Dept. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Helen Jean Thomas.*

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**US Foods Transportation Dept.** - June 26, 2024 at 09:51 AM