



Ray L. Thomas

March 3, 1928 - November 22, 2018

Thomas, Ray L., of High Ridge, Missouri was born March 3, 1928 Blair's Creek Township, Shannon County, Missouri, to Shade and Lola (nee Williams) Thomas, and entered into rest, Thursday, November 22, 2018 at the age of 90 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents, wife Bernice (nee Tripp) Thomas and five siblings Thelma O'Dell, Irby Thomas, Harold Thomas, Ira Thomas and Gentry "Ray" Thomas.

He is survived by,

Two (2) children, Susan "Anita" (Alan) LaRue, and Steven Thomas,

Four (4) grandchildren, Robert (Angela), Kari (Jonathon), Kristin and Steven Jr.,

Four (4) great-grandchildren, Kylee, Madison, Kadin and Olivia,

and many other relatives and friends.

Ray was a U.S. Army Veteran and he worked as a Teamster union member truck driver for Wetterau for more than 40 years. He was a mandolin, guitar

and fiddle player who enjoyed bluegrass music and finding deals. Music was his life.

Visitation will be Tuesday November 27, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, Missouri. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **27**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ray L. Thomas*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Ray was full of energy. He loved life, his family & music.. Nothing stopped him from living each day to the fullest, not even age.. It was always a joy to see him. He always had a smile & loved visiting with everyone.*

Thanks Ray for your friendship. I was blessed to know you & I will miss you.

Condolences to his family

Marlene McBroom - November 26, 2018 at 01:48 PM



“ *Debbie Wasley, Kathy Klevorn (Sitze) and Families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ray L. Thomas.*



Debbie Wasley, Kathy Klevorn (Sitze) and Families -
November 25, 2018 at 07:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ray L. Thomas.*



November 25, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ *I'm going to miss seeing Ray at Hardee's. He was quite a character. Knew him from when we lived at Sunny Acres in 1970. Condolences to his family.*

Dennis S. - November 24, 2018 at 08:24 AM



Very sorry to hear of Raymond's passing. I appreciated his music and his many good stories about the old days, and especially about old-time fiddling and dancing. Raymond helped me write about Uncle Bunk Williams in a 2012 book. I last saw Raymond at Clayton and Hannah Williams' wedding party in Freeburg (2016), where I and some friends from Columbia played some tunes, like one of his favorites, "Katy Hill." My condolences and best wishes to the families. --Howard Marshall

howard marshall - November 26, 2018 at 08:39 PM