



# Johnny M. Thompson

November 4, 1930 - January 31, 2020

Johnny M. Thompson, age 89 of Harriman, passed away January 31, 2020, at Roane Medical Center. Johnny was a beloved teacher at Harriman City Schools until his retirement in 1993.

Johnny is preceded in death by father, Johnny Thompson; mother, Mattie Bell "Pat" Hill; aunt, Elizabeth Hill.

Johnny is survived by

Wife:

Nancy Thompson

Daughter:

Katie and husband Gealon Thomas

Son:

Lee and wife Pam Thompson

Grandsons:

Ben and wife Mary Elizabeth Thomas

Sam and wife Jodie Thomas

Great-Granddaughter:

Caroline Thomas

Host of nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, February 2, 2020, from 2-4 p.m. at Trenton Street Baptist Church, with service to follow officiated by Rev. Tony Boswell. Interment will be Monday, February 3, 2020 at 11 a.m. at Roane Memorial Gardens. Kyker Funeral Home of Harriman is serving the Thompson family. <http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com>

# Cemetery

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## Roane Memorial Gardens

1400 N Gateway Ave  
Rockwood, TN, 37854

# Events

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**FEB** **Funeral service** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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Trenton St Baptist Church  
519 Trenton St, Harriman, TN, US, 37748

**FEB** **Visitation** 04:00PM

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**FEB** **Burial** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ So sorry to hear of the news. Mr. Thompson is a beloved teacher and man. Condolences to all the Thompson family.

Eric and Patty Fillmore.

**Eric R Fillmore** - February 09, 2020 at 09:23 AM

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“ Katie, Lee and Mrs. Thompson. So sorry for your loss! He was one of the best teachers at HHS. I learned so much and I still love science. He was always so good with all of us. Many fond memories of growing up and being at your house too!  
Angela Harmon

**Angela Harmon** - February 06, 2020 at 06:57 PM

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“ Talk with any HHS alumni and somewhere in the conversation comes the Thompson's. Both were exceptional teachers and mentors. When I took chemistry at UT during nursing school, I thought JT's class was harder. We were blessed to have these two as teachers. My prayers go out to Nancy and all your family I have never and will never forget his influence on my life.



**darlene douglas kitts** - February 03, 2020 at 05:57 PM

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“ My fondest memory of Mr. Thompson was when he would make assignments in Botany class. As my friend Doris and I would anxiously await our assignment for the day, he would say “To the pile, Duckies!” So off we went to the manure pile to process manure from screen to screen, until it was fine as grains of sand. Some may have found that assignment somewhat belittling, but Mr. Thomas made us feel like it so important to the growing process that he needed his best Duckies on the job!! I feel so blessed to have been taught by such an amazing man! Heartfelt condolences to Ms. Thompson, Lee, and Katie (Kathrine), I love you much, and pray that God will comfort you as only he can during the difficult days ahead. Your husband/dad brought great joy to everyone who knows him —Mary (aka May) Alice

Mary Alice Douglass - February 03, 2020 at 12:31 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Thompson's passing. He was a wonderful person and even though I did not have him as a teacher, I respected him and his family. My prayers are with Mrs. Thompson, Katie and Lee...May God bless you all.

Sincerely,  
Darlene Bowers Prewitt

Darlene Prewitt - February 03, 2020 at 10:08 AM

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“ Mrs. Thompson, Katie, and Lee - I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. Thompson, or JT as some students affectionately called him, was a true treasure at HHS! He will live on in your memories, and in the memories of friends and countless students who loved and admired him.

Lana (Heath) Giannella - February 02, 2020 at 04:50 PM

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“ Nancy,

So sorry for your loss and the loss for so many others. Johnny was such a good teacher and hilarious man. I will never forget when he sprayed Sharon Moore with the fire extinguisher and when he tried to make "ladies" out of Rhonda Kittrell and me--didn't work. He was a hoot and I will always remember him with great fondness. If I ever get to Harriman, I will call and visit.

Love, Suellen Gibson

Suellen Gibson - February 02, 2020 at 04:23 PM

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“ Pamala Kline-Cleveland lit a candle in memory of Johnny M. Thompson



Pamala Kline-Cleveland - February 02, 2020 at 10:01 AM

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“ What a fantastic teacher, Mr. Thompson was to so many of us “young heroes “. He is loved so many and will be missed until we meet again in Heaven one day. Our love and condolences to Nancy and all the family.

martha ivory - February 01, 2020 at 09:48 PM

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“ Nancy, so sorry to hear of Johnny's passing. I have so many great memories of being in classes taught by both of you. It was always good to see both of you at Becky's each Labor Day. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. You have so-o-o many wonderful memories from your years together. They will be always be there for you to give you comfort in times of sadness and bring laughter in times of just remembering. Love to you,  
"Pookie" Winfree Patterson

Jimmie Patterson - February 01, 2020 at 09:43 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Mr. Thompson's family. He was a good man and teacher and I know he will be missed by many. May God bring comfort and peace to his family. With Deepest Sympathy, Arlene (Bowers) Tapp

**Arlene (Bowers) Tapp** - February 01, 2020 at 09:40 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss.

**Lavanna Miles** - February 01, 2020 at 08:48 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Johnny M. Thompson.



February 01, 2020 at 07:57 PM

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“ Please accept my condolences on your loss. He was a great man and teacher. Kathy O'Shea

**Princess Kathy VP O** - February 01, 2020 at 07:44 PM

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“ So very sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Thompson! Our prayers and thoughts are with you, Mrs. Thompson, Katie and Lee and the entire family!

**Sybil Cannon** - February 01, 2020 at 06:08 PM

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“ Sending my prayers to Mrs. Nancy Thompson and to their children. Mr. Thompson was very kind to me at church, he will be truly missed.

Kimberly Burkhardt - February 01, 2020 at 05:05 PM

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“ Mrs. Thompson, Lee, and Katie,  
JT was a great teacher...one of the best. Learned from him and enjoyed his classes. Always, always a pleasure to see him. Lost my Daddy a year ago. He and your Dad were at Tech together. I send my love to you all. Praying for God's peace and comfort.

Kim Henley Kennedy - February 01, 2020 at 04:59 PM

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“ Of all the teachers I had at Harriman High, Mr. Thompson, was at the top. He was a great teacher and mentor and always tried to do right by everyone. He even came to see me in the hospital after I blew up "his lab". He will be missed... but not forgotten. God Bless...

Ut observantiam, quorum memoriam eorum ne sint in cordibus vere abiit. (Those whose memories we keep in our hearts are never really gone.)

Patrick M. O'Shea  
Class of '67

Patrick O'Shea - February 01, 2020 at 04:38 PM

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“ Patrick M. O'Shea purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Johnny M. Thompson.



Patrick M. O'Shea - February 01, 2020 at 04:36 PM

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“ So sorry, Mrs. Thompson, for yours and your family's loss. I always loved having Mr. Thompson for a teacher. And, anytime I saw him, he always teased me and gave me a hard time. Love to you and your family.

**Mickey Frye** - February 01, 2020 at 04:24 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Nancy you are in my thoughts and prayers.

**Terry Gamble** - February 01, 2020 at 03:55 PM

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“ Friends and teachers of my family. Nancy you are in my thoughts and prayers.

**Charlene Keller Taylor** - February 01, 2020 at 03:28 PM

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“ I was so glad I got to have him as teacher. I have so many great memories of chemistry class! He was a wonderful teacher. Sending my love to Nancy.

**Kathy Evans McLane** - February 01, 2020 at 03:23 PM

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“ Mrs Thompson, Katie and Lee,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. I loved having Mr Thompson to me. while in high school chemistry. He was one of the best teachers and was such a special person. Since he was Katie's dad made him that much more special may God wrap his arms around your family during this most difficult time. Love you guys.  
Robbie Mee

**Robbie Mee** - February 01, 2020 at 02:06 PM

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“ Lisha Harvey lit a candle in memory of Johnny M. Thompson



Lisha Harvey - February 01, 2020 at 02:02 PM