



## Jerry L. Thomas

January 18, 1946 - August 11, 2012

Jerry L. Thomas, age 66 of Sweetwater passed away Saturday, August 11, 2012. He was a member of Fenders United Methodist Church. He was employed by Denso for 15 years following life as a dairy farmer. Preceded in death by parents, Lester and Lelia Thomas; sister, Theresa Thomas Stafford. Survived by wife, Debbie Thomas of Sweetwater; daughter, Kim Thomas Fry of Knoxville, son and daughter-in-law, Jerald and Julie Thomas of Johnson City; stepchildren, Catlin Ryan, Shiloh Ryan and Aubree Keyser; grandchildren, Lauren and Meredith Thomas; brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Pat Thomas; sisters and brothers-in-law, Frieda Brown and Claude Evans; Brenda and Garland Lee all of Sweetwater; nephews, Matt and Amanda Thomas, Jacob Thomas, Luke and Traci Thomas. Many aunts, uncles and cousins. Special aunt, Mildred McGinnis of Lenoir City. The body is at Kyker Funeral Home where the family will receive friends Tuesday, August 14, 2012 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM. Funeral service to follow at 7:00 PM with Rev. Ed Donley, Rev. Bill Dawson and Rev. Ron Wooten officiating. Graveside service and Interment Wednesday 11:00 AM in the Fenders Community Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers are Andy Fry, Matt Thomas, Luke Thomas, Jack Watson and Denso associates. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Luttrell Community Center or the Fenders Community Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements

# Tribute Wall

AS

“ I just heard of Jerry’s passing. He and Frank played music many, many times for us at Autumn Care and Prosperity Pointe Assisted Living. Jerry was always kind and respectful. I’ll miss his beautiful voice and his gentle demeanor. He was so sweet as he spoke with the residents after he sang. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and with Frank.

*Adriane Shakir*

*Prosperity Pointe Assisted Living*

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**Adriane Shakir** - November 20, 2019 at 09:42 PM

TT

“ Just found out today 10-20-12 that Jerry had passed away. So sorry to hear this. I loved Jerry as a co-worker and friend at TRW-KOYO for 6 1/2 years. He was a wonderful person. God bless his family.

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**Tim Steward - Clinton, TN - Former co-worker at TRW-KOYO** - October 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ we would like to express our condolences to the family of mr jerry I thomas. we hope the comforting words found at john5:28,29 brings your family a measure of hope and strength in the coming days and weeks. we pray the true God of all comfort stays close to your side, and we will kep you in our prayers.

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**lori** - August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. I always thought very highly of him both while we were growing up and attending Luttrell Elementary School and Loudon High School and as a leader in the community. May God comfort you in your time of loss.

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**Karen Montooth - Knoxville, TN - Cousin and Family Friend** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We at Denso are all saddened by Jerry's passing. He is deeply cared for and will be missed by all of us. Not one person in the plant disliked Jerry. Our flag will fly at half tomorrow for him.

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**Darlene Newman - athens, TN - co-worker** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Jerry was a wonderful person. I worked with him for the last 13 years. He was not only a wonderful person to work with but was also a great person to just talk with. He will be greatly missed. Many thoughts and prayers for all friends and family of this great man. Jerry is now in a place where we all desire to be when our time on earth is done. May God bless and comfort you in this difficult time.

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**Eric Morgan - Etowah, TN - co-worker** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FT

“ Catlin and your Family ,my prayers and thoughts are with you all tonight ,  
and Jerry's family ,I know the hurt and sadness is hard when you lose someone you love ,But they will always be with you in your heart and memories ,and they are with God ,and in no more pain ,  
May God bless all of  
you in this most differcult time .

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**Frankie and Jimmy Miller - Etowah ,tenn,37331, TN** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. I wanted to come tonight but I just couldn't get off work in time to make it down. My heart is with you all and I will keep each of you in my prayers. Jerry is in a better place and the angels are rejoicing his home-coming. May the peace and comfort of the Lord be wrapped around you as you say goodbye for now and celebrate Jerry's life.  
Love you all!  
Mitzi Montooth

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**Mitzi Montooth - Knoxville, TN - cousin** - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Jerry was such a wonderful man. He will truly be missed by many.

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**Jeff and Dana Pack - Riceville, TN - previous coworker at Denso** - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Jerry will be greatly missed at work, he was a great person to work with. I worked with Jerry on the GM line and learned alot from him. I am very sorry for your loss for I know he loved his family very much.

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**melissa vogus - athens, TN - co worker** - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ We share your grief today. Sorry we can't be there. We always treasured our relationship with Jerry and the Thomas Family and will always have fond memories of our years at Fenders. Our prayers go with you, Raymond and Charlene.

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**Raymond O. Hall - Mt. Gilead, NC - Former Pastor** - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Kim, I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers go out to you and your family! Hold on to the good memories!

Tammy Ferguson - Loudon, TN - Friend - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Kim & Jerald -- So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Will be praying for both of you as well as the rest of your family.

Kim Rose Wells - Sweetwater, TN - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ I worked with Jerry many years ago at TRW, he was such a kind and funny man. I really liked him alot. Im praying for you all that God will wrap his arms around you and comfort you during this terrible heartache. RIP Jerry

Nancee Black Russell - Maryville, TN - Friend - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ IT IS NEVER EASY TO HAVE ONES LOVE ONE PASS AWAY AN EMPTY HOLE THAT FELLS THAT IS WILL NEVER BE FILLED AGAIN BUT IN TIME YOUR LOSS WILL BE EASIER TO EXCEPT. GOD NEVER LEAVE US WITHOUT COMFORTING TO MAKE THIS TIME LESS DIFFICULT---- FAMILY, FRIENDS, SMILES, PICTURES . YOU ARE IN THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

GARY & JUANITA JOHNSTON COOK - LOUDON, TN - FAMILY FRIEND - August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

*“ WE ARE SORRY TO HEAR OF JERRY PASSING. HIS PARENTS AND OUR WERE FRIENDS, AND WE GREW UP TOGETHER ATTENDED LUTTRELL SCHOOL AND LOUDON HIGH. IN TIMES AS THESE KEEP IN YOUR HEART THAT HE LIVE THROUGH YOU.. REMEMBER HIS SMILE , JOKES THAT YOU SHARED -- FOR THESE ARE GODS COMFORT TO EASY YOUR LOSS UNTIL YOU MEET AGAIN. YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.*

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**CURTIS & MARIETTA JOHNSTON - PHILADELPHIA, TN - FAMILY FRIEND -**  
August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

*“ missing a great friend and co worker*

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**Second shift Maint. Dept. Ceramic Products Division - Athens,, TN - Co-workers -** August 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

*“ Kim and Gerald-both of you are in my prayers--you're father was a good and kind man. I love you both. God bless you during this difficult time and memories are forever.*

*Cynthia*

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**Cynthia Montooth - Knoxville, TN - cousin -** August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

*“ Please accept our deepest condolences.*

*Love, from Mike & Penny Morrison*

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**Michael and Penny Morrison - Philadelphia, TN - Cousin -** August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM