



## Roy Eugene Thomas

October 12, 1932 - July 15, 2016

Roy E. Thomas (Pappy), 83, of Sweetwater, TN, passed away Friday morning surrounded by family at his home. Roy was a life-long member of First Baptist Church of Sweetwater. He was a veteran of the Korean War, a mason and retired from Oak Ridge National Laboratory after 39 years of service. He loved kids of all ages and was known throughout Sweetwater as "Pappy". Roy was preceded in death by his loving wife of 52 years, Elizabeth "Joan" Thomas, daughter Tammy Marlene Thomas, parents Luke and Ella (Haun) Thomas, brothers: Lester, Sam and Clyde Thomas and sisters Anna Rae Morrison, Pauline McPhail, Mae Inman and June Thomas.

Survivors include: sister Mildred McGinnis of Lenoir City; sons Steve Thomas (Susan Powers) of Sweetwater, Scott Thomas (Debbie) of Sweetwater and Barry Thomas (Terri) of Topeka, KS; grandchildren Keshia Thomas Badgett (Thomas) of Sweetwater, Justin Vineyard (Katie) of Sweetwater, Katie Thomas of Brandon, FL, Aaron Thomas of Melbourne, AU, David Thomas of Knoxville, Zachary and Gabriel Thomas of Topeka, KS, Joshua Thomas of Sweetwater and Elijah Powers of Sweetwater. Two great grandchildren Reagan Elizabeth Badgett and Piper Ann Vineyard, both of Sweetwater. The family will receive friends on Monday, July 18, 2016, at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 5:30P.M. until 7:30P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 7:30P.M. in Kyker's Chapel with Dr. Frank Crawford officiating. Interment 1:00P.M. on Tuesday in the Sweetwater Memorial Park, with full military honors provided by the members of the Sweetwater V.F.W. Gold Star Post

5156, members of the Monroe County Disabled American Veterans Association Chapter# 93, and members of the Sweetwater American Legions Chapter #106. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. Kyker Funeral Homes, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 18. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roy Eugene Thomas*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - July 18, 2016 at 09:52 AM



“ *Barry and Family,*

*You are all in our prayers and thoughts.*

*TIM Marlar*

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**Timothy Marlar** - July 19, 2016 at 06:25 AM



“ I remember Uncle Roy taking me for some fast rides in his hot Oldsmobiles when I was a kid. He had several over the years, and it was always fun to visit him.

When I got old enough to drive, he was always ready for a ride with me, and I sure I scared him when I returned the favor at over 100 mph in one of my race cars I built.

Rest In Peace Uncle Roy, and say hi to Aunt Joan for me. I know she's glad to see you.

Jerry A. Wilson

Jerry A. Wilson - July 18, 2016 at 05:17 PM



“ 33 files added to the album LifeTributes



Kyker Funeral Home - July 18, 2016 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Katie, Aaron, David, Hillary purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Roy Eugene Thomas.*



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**Katie, Aaron, David, Hillary** - July 17, 2016 at 05:55 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Roy Eugene Thomas.*



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July 16, 2016 at 09:35 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roy Eugene Thomas.*



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July 15, 2016 at 07:07 PM