



Ealvy Thomas

May 14, 1943 - March 12, 2024

Ealvy Vionia Thomas, known to many as Big Mama and Memaw, passed peacefully at her residence surrounded by family and friends on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

Ealvy was born on May 14, 1943 in Habersham County, Cornelia, Georgia to the late Maude and Jerry Dodd. Ealvy had 1 brother and 5 sisters. Ealvy married the love of her life Melvin Hoke Thomas on June 14, 1958 in Walhalla, South Carolina when she was 15 years old. They moved to Eatonton later in that same year. Her careers included nursing at the nursing home, serving the local community as a Police Officer, and managing Dixie Oil and Glo gas stations with her husband for many years.

Melvin and Ealvy had 4 daughters, Lina Thomas (Marvin), the late Suvella Thomas, Janey Thomas (Tony), and the late Lynn Thomas all from Eatonton. Melvin and Ealvy also raised their granddaughter from birth Melissia Rusk (Jay) of Buckhead in addition to a grandson, Chris Nelms (Ricki) of Eatonton. Other grandsons include Lenwood Pickens (Savannah) of Eatonton and Jerry Nelms (Shawna) of Buford; Seven great grandchildren Thomas-Jay Rusk, Jade Nelms, Aimee Nelms, Deandra Nelms, Selah Pickens, Salem Pickens, and Suttan Pickens.

Ealvy was a devoted caregiver to all, cherishing her family most. Her

commitment, unconditional love, and dedication to her family and everyone she met will always be remembered. Her ability to provide comfort, strength, and beautiful wisdom will never be forgotten.

Ealvy was a member of Crossroads Baptist Church. Visitation will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 1 p.m. at Crossroads Baptist Church, 106 S. Wesley Chapel Road, Eatonton, Georgia with a Celebration of Life service to follow at 2 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Crestlawn Memorial Gardens

US 441 and GA 16
Eatonton, GA 31024

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Crossroads Baptist Church
106 S. Wesley chapel road
Eatonton , GA 31024

Celebration of Life Service

MAR 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

ZY

“ I'm so very sorry to find out about my friends passing..she was always a joy to see and talk with I've known her ever since she and her husband ran the gas station..she will be sorely missed my prayers go out to the family..zyra Youngblood



Zyra Youngblood - March 27, 2024 at 11:44 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



Luther Minor - March 16, 2024 at 09:19 AM

DB

“ Debbi Batchelor lit a candle in memory of Ealvy Thomas



Debbi Batchelor - March 14, 2024 at 02:54 PM

RK

“ So sorry for your loss Chris and Jerry. You all are in my prayers. Really enjoyed the little amount of time I spent talking to your grandmom. Never forget she love the both of you and was very proud of you.

Richard Kelley - March 14, 2024 at 06:35 AM



“ *Eva Batchelor lit a candle in memory of Ealvy Thomas*



Eva Batchelor - March 14, 2024 at 01:19 AM



“ *What a precious lady she was, she was my mothers best friend. My childhood memories of her and her family i will treasure always. The Huey family extend our deepest sympathy to the Thomas family, you are in our thoughts and prayers.*



Charlotte Huey Thompson - March 13, 2024 at 08:40 PM



“ *SYLVIA MCWHORTER lit a candle in memory of Ealvy Thomas*



SYLVIA MCWHORTER - March 13, 2024 at 05:17 PM



“ *R.I.P. Aunt Vionia Sending prayers and condolences to the family & friends .I will see you again on the other side with love hugs and kisses*

SYLVIA MCWHORTER - March 13, 2024 at 05:15 PM

SS

“ *shirley Sanders lit a candle in memory of Ealvy Thomas*



shirley Sanders - March 13, 2024 at 02:46 PM