



John P. "Jack" Thomas Sr.

March 17, 1936 - March 21, 2020

John P. "Jack" Thomas, Sr., 84, of Lawrenceburg, passed away Saturday, March 21, 2020.

Born in Louisville on March 17, 1936, Jack was a son of the late John Pendleton and Rose Wirth Thomas. He was a 1954 graduate of St. Xavier High School in Louisville. Prior to his retirement, Jack was a manufacturing engineer for both General Electric in Louisville and the Lancer Corporation in San Antonio, TX.

Jack was a devout Christian and a loving husband and father. His favorite pastime was fishing and he loved the University of Kentucky Wildcats.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, DeeAnn Watson Thomas; three sons, John P. Thomas, Jr. (Stacey Blakeman), Thornton P. "Buddy" Thomas (Paula) and Stephen C. Thomas (Rosa). A daughter, Sheryl Lynn Takach preceded him in death. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and one sister, Patricia Dumont.

Visitation and services are private for the immediate family only. Ratterman and Sons, 3800 Bardstown Road, Louisville is serving the family. Online condolences may be shared at www.ratterman.com.

Events

MAR **Graveside Service**

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MAR **Visitation**

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Comments



“ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.
Phillippians 4:8-9

20 years ago this month, the Lord brought me to Jack Thomas. Little did I know at the time, how much of a father this man would be for me and a family that I did not have yet. He became what has been a unique relationship in my life, my Papa. I never knew what it truly meant to be a father or even know what a father should be like. I thought of a father as one who provides, disciplines and pushes you to become better. Papa did all those things, but what he did for me, revealed something so much deeper than what I knew. He loved me for the mess I am. I did not think fathers could do that. Papa showed me what fatherly love could be and how it could change one's life. Last night as I sat on the couch, recounting my many experiences with him, I could not see why I deserved even a single moment with him, until my five year old came to me and laid beside me with his head on my lap. It was for this moment. To be a father to someone. God has blessed me with seven children who have a mess of a father, but a slightly better person because of Papa's love.

I can't imagine anyone understanding our relationship. I could not either. The only way I can describe it is as such: It was true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable, in one word, excellent. I remember Papa's life as worthy of praise. That God would make such a man to walk this earth, to meet me and show me the love of Christ is truly humbling. So now, as I learned and received and heard and saw in him, I practice these things. Because Papa did.

This is Jack Thomas. He is a father to me, my wife and my children. Our Papa.

I will always love and never forget my Papa. May the God of peace be with him forever.

Our deepest condolences and love to Mama Dee, John, Stephen, and Buddy. Be joyful in Papa's new dwelling place.

With all our love, Nishant, Ellen, Aiden, Ethan, Deron, Tristan, Allison, Dylan and Gavin.



“ Nishant Mathew lit a candle in memory of John P. "Jack" Thomas Sr.



Nishant Mathew - March 27 at 02:50 PM



“ My condolences to Dee,Johnny Buddy& Stephen. My thought are with yall. I pray for strength & peace for yall. Jack will always be in my heartas my father in law.I am sad but I will always remember he taught me how to drive a stick shift. I also remember how he got my Dad and the Esparza family through some sad times. Love you all.
Luisa

Luisa Esparza - March 27 at 11:01 AM



“ Luisa Esparza lit a candle in memory of John P. "Jack" Thomas Sr.



Luisa Esparza - March 27 at 10:55 AM



“ My papa was an amazing man and grandfather. I wish I could have visited him more. He helped me out a lot and was a source of strength during the time of my moms passing. I have no doubt he's in Heaven now with her and I am forever thankful for having him in my life. I love you papa. Can't wait to see you again.

Anthony Takach - March 27 at 10:26 AM



“ I am the youngest son of Henry and Leona Wirth . Rose Wirth was my fathers sister . Most of my family has past on to another life but Bernadette is still alive and played with John as a child at my grandfathers bar on westport road. I have the Wirth family tree if any of you are interested . Sorry for your loss
Ralph J Wirth 502 -640-0894

Ralph Wirth - March 26 at 02:35 PM



“ DeeAnn and family I am sorry for the loss of Jack He very man



Patti Geraghty - March 25 at 10:43 PM



“ Patti Geraghty lit a candle in memory of John P. "Jack" Thomas Sr.



Patti Geraghty - March 25 at 10:41 PM