

Honorary Pallbearers

Richard Thomas	Morgan Thomas
Walter Thomas	Mitchell Thomas
Sterling Thomas	Marvin Thomas

Active Pallbearers

Eric Brooks	Derrick Thomas
Kendrick Davis	Alsy Brooks
Lazarus Davis	Paxton Thomas

Flower Bearers

Cousins

Acknowledgements

With sincere appreciation the Thomas and Lockett families would like to thank our many friends and church family for their love and expressions of kindness during our time of bereavement for our loved one. May God bless each of you .

Interment

St. Thomas Memorial Gardens
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Bolton, MS 39041

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*In Loving Memory
of*

Carmela Larissa Thomas Lockett

FEBRUARY 24, 1979 ~ FEBRUARY 10, 2022



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 11:00 A.M.

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PASTOR DEWAYNE MORRIS-OFFICIATING

All Is Well

*Death is nothing at all,
I have only slipped into the next room
I am I and you are you
Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.
Call me by my old familiar name.*

*Speak to me in the easy way which you always used
Put no difference in your tone,
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow
Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.*

*Let my name be ever the household word that it always was,
Let it be spoken without effect, without the trace of shadow on it.
Life means all that it ever meant.*

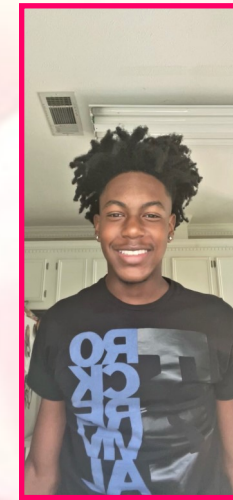
*It is the same as it ever was, there is unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?*

*I am waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near,
Just around the corner.
All is well.*



A Legacy of Love

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A Daughter

*A daughter is that little girl grown up to be a friend and in the loving bond that's shared,
There'll never be an end. Sometimes I think there cannot be more love my heart can hold,
yet heaven must hold more for us when we'll walk the streets of gold.*

*A daughter is a gift from God to be treasured all our days...
A reason to greet God each day with thankfulness and praise.*

*With my whole being I sing endless praise to you,
O Lord, my God forever give you thanks.*

Psalm 30:13



Forever

*You were my sidekick as a child
running through the cornfields together.*

I knew, my sister, I would love you forever.

*We grew up in some humble times and had our share of bad weather,
still you shared what you had, that's why I will love you forever.*

*As we got older and ventured out, experiencing life,
not together, our bond remained the same.*

That's why I will love you forever.

*Can't replace something as rare as you, not now,
not ever my sister and my first best friend.*

I will love you forever.

Derrick

Obituary

On February 24, 1979 a beautiful little princess was born. Her name was Carmela Larissa Thomas, the daughter of Barbara Thomas and Eugene Dotson.

Carmela was very shy as a child. It took her a little time to warm up to people. But once she accepted you in her inner circle, she was alright with you. She always loved beautiful things. That is why she set goals in her life to achieve them.

Carmela was a graduate of the Clinton High School Class of 1997. She attended the University of Southern Mississippi (USM) and graduated in 2001 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing.

Carmela married her college sweetheart, Will Lockett, on September 27, 2003. From this union two children were born. A son for him, Dristen Tyler Lockett and a daughter for her, Taylor Nicole Lockett.

She had high expectations for her children; to always believe in yourself and to reach for more than you can see.

Carmela's wings were spread wide when it came to taking care of her patients. She had a 20 year nursing career working in many areas of Baptist, St. Dominic and CMMC hospitals. The areas that she worked in included Medical/Surgical, Occupational Health, Adolescent Psych, Pain Management, Interventional Therapy, and the Cath Lab. Her certifications included BLS, ACLS, BLS, PALS, and TB.

Carmela was employed at St. Dominic hospital until her sudden death on the morning of Thursday, February 10, 2022 at her residence in Clinton.

She was preceded in death by: her grandparents, Sterling and Katie Thomas; father, Eugene Dotson; two aunts, Dorothy Brooks and Maggie Davis; uncle, Curtis Thomas; and siblings, Randel Dotson and Calvin Floyd.

Carmela leaves to love and cherish her memories: her parents, Ned and Barbara Mack; a loving husband, Will Lockett; two children, Dristen and Taylor Lockett, who will miss her so very much; her half siblings, Erica Jacobs, Jacory Dotson, Dunta Dotson, Eldridge Dotson and Robert Dotson; mother-in-law, Emma Lockett; father-in-law, Willie Lockett; sisters-in-law, Shantea, Roxie and Elbony; three aunts, Rosalind Morris, Celia Price and Ann Smith; uncles, Richard (Lovie) Thomas, Mitchell Thomas, Walter Thomas, Marvin Thomas, Sterling Thomas, Jr. and Morgan (Teri) Thomas; special cousins, Derrick Thomas and Brianna Smith, who were more like her brother and sister; and a host of other aunts, uncles, cousins and other family and friends she acquired along the way.



Order of Services

Mistress of Ceremony-Sis. Rosalind Morris

Scripture/Prayer

Pastor Dewayne Morris

Song

Sis. Tresia Harvey

Expressions

Friends and Family

Class Resolution

Eulogy

Pastor Dewayne Morris

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