



Gladys May Thomas

August 30, 1940 - June 21, 2025

Our beloved, Gladys May Thomas, 84, of Waldorf, Maryland, passed away peacefully in her home on Saturday, June 21, 2025.

Born on August 30, 1940, in Newburgh, New York, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Elizabeth Conklin.

Gladys devoted much of her life taking care of her family. She followed her husband to Hawaii and Germany during his career in the Air Force, while raising their three children. They settled in Waldorf, Maryland when Dave retired from the Air Force in 1978 to take a job in the government.

Taking care of her grandchildren was her greatest joy. She was known as both grandma and Mimi to them. When the older grandkids were school age, she took a job working in the cafeteria in various schools in Charles County. She enjoyed her interactions with the students and staff. She liked playing cards, particularly Gin Rummy, Pinochle, Euchre, and later, Solitaire on the computer. She was a fan of Washington Redskins football team, her favorite player was Wide Receiver, Art Monk. She and Dave went to watch him be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Gladys also liked visiting Amish markets in Annapolis and St. Mary's County.

In addition to her parents, Gladys was preceded in death by her sisters, Betty Meyers and Harriett Keefauver, and her brothers, Edward, Harry Jr., and

Robert Conklin.

Gladys is survived by her husband of 65 years, David W. Thomas Jr.; her sister, Barbara Meyers; her daughters, Kathlyn Finch (husband Jerry) and Maria Ferguson (husband Tim); her son, David Thomas III (wife Denise); her grandchildren, Leanne Gingell (husband Steve), Randy Finch, Danny Finch (wife Taylor), Christopher Lange (wife Jenny), Christina Thomas, and David J. Thomas; as well as her great-grandchildren, Marli, McKenna, Cyrus, Eli, Mia, Olivia, Finn, Spencer, and Emilee.

You are welcome to make donations in Gladys' name to the following organizations:

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, (Memorial and Honor Program), 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942, (online at www.stjude.org), Hospice of the Chesapeake, 2505 Davis Road, Waldorf, MD 20603 (Make a Secure Online Donation | Hospice of the Chesapeake), American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service , P.A.
5635 Washington Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646

Funeral Service

JUN **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Interment will be private.

Tribute Wall

PH

“ Patricia H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gladys May Thomas.

Patricia H. - June 29, 2025 at 09:15 PM

WC

“ With our deepest condolences purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



With our deepest condolences - June 26, 2025 at 04:43 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



June 26, 2025 at 04:15 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



June 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM

ED

“ To the family and friends of Mrs. Thomas. You have my condolence for your loss. May you find comfort in Revelation 21:3-4. . There we learn death will be no more. This will be accomplished by means of the Kingdom/Government that we pray for in the model prayer..

Evelyn Dyson - June 25, 2025 at 09:16 PM

FF

“ Frank & Marie Brailer & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



Frank & Marie Brailer & Family - June 25, 2025 at 12:26 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gladys May Thomas.

June 24, 2025 at 05:03 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



June 24, 2025 at 05:03 PM

TJ

“ Teri & Laurence and Vicky & Joe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gladys May Thomas.

Teri & Laurence and Vicky & Joe - June 24, 2025 at 04:01 PM

TJ

“ Teri & Laurence and Vicky & Joe purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



Teri & Laurence and Vicky & Joe - June 24, 2025 at 04:01 PM

IA

“ Indian Gaming Association purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



Indian Gaming Association - June 24, 2025 at 01:19 PM

CH

“ My beautiful grandmother 💕💕



Chrissy - June 24, 2025 at 11:37 AM

JR

“ Jerry and Ron purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



Jerry and Ron - June 24, 2025 at 11:29 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gladys May Thomas.

June 24, 2025 at 11:04 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gladys May Thomas.



June 24, 2025 at 11:04 AM

EG

“ Gladys welcomed us into the family the first time we met her. Her and Dave are some of the sweetest people we ever met. My heart breaks for Dave and the entire family. She was an amazing lady with a huge heart of gold.

Erin Graves - June 24, 2025 at 10:38 AM

MS

“ She was an amazing lady!
When I used to nanny for a little boy and girl, she was the first person to talk to me when I dropped them off at Good Shepherd. She and I chatted every day. I've missed our chats and seeing her!

Michelle Schlorb - June 24, 2025 at 10:07 AM

SL

“ Gladys was fun to be around. Always smiling, always happy. RIP Gladys.

Shirley Long - June 24, 2025 at 10:06 AM