



## Ellen Agnes Thomas

August 7, 1923 - January 25, 2015

Ellen Agnes Christopher was born on August 7, 1923 to the late Johnnie Newton Christopher and Grace Christopher in Blackstone, Virginia, Nottoway County. The second of seven children she attended the public schools of Nottoway County. She lived the early part of her life in the portion of Nottoway County familiarly known as the "camp area". A place that she and her siblings often spoke about throughout their lives. Preceding her in death also are the following: James R. Thomas, Sr. (husband), Marilynn Ellen Thomas (daughter), Lekisha Nichelle Thomas (granddaughter), Fitzhugh Christopher, Sr. (brother), Fleida C. Woodson (sister), and Weldon W. Christopher, Sr. (brother), Weldon W. Christopher, Jr. (nephew), and Ronald Shelton (nephew). Left to mourn the passing of their sibling are three sisters, Thelma Johnson, Shirley Shelton, and Christina C. Farmer, one sister-in-law (Mattie Christopher) and two brother-in-laws (Chester Farmer) and Hubert Thomas. Left to mourn the passing of their mother are five remaining children, James Richard Thomas, [r., Christopher John Thomas, Jerome Anthony Thomas, Michelle Agnes Thomas, and Jeffrey Wendell Thomas. Left to mourn the passing of their mother-in-law are her are three daughter- in-laws: Millie Thomas, Sharon Thomas and Frances Thomas. Left to mourn their grandmother's passing are ten grandchildren: James Richard Campbell, Robin Lorraine Thomas, Damion Eric Stukes, Nicholas Christopher Thomas, Lamont Massey, [r., Yarri Ellen Karmara, Jeffrey Wendell Thomas, II, Joshua Thomas, and Jacob Thomas. Left to mourn their great grandmother's passing

are her seven great grandchildren. Left to mourn their aunt's passing are a host of nieces and nephews. Ellen Thomas will also be sorely missed by seniors of the Morris Hill and the seniors and other members of her church family at First Baptist Church of Cherry Hill where she was a member for more than sixty years, and once belonged to the Flower Circle of the church. In the mid 1940's, she moved to Baltimore and worked, generally, as a domestic worker, and lived in various locations throughout Baltimore City. Her final place of employment was the United States Veterans Hospital located on Loch Raven Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland. She retired, medically, from that place of employment in 1975. In 1948, she met and married James Richard Thomas, Sr. From that union six children were born. Throughout their married life, until it was dissolved by his death in 1979, they worked as a team, training their children, singly and jointly to their children. Cleaning the house, going to school, and attending Sunday School were the minimum expectations. Being late, particularly, for meals was unacceptable and dealt with accordingly. Ellen Thomas had a lifelong interest in two things: watching baseball and listening to the blues and gospel. Her favorite artist was Lloyd Price (Mr. Personality). Agnes had a wry sense of humor, quick wit, and an uncanny ability to maintain her sense of self under the most dire of circumstances. Whether they were obedient or disobedient, Agnes Thomas was devoted to her children. Now grown, her children can truly say that her devotion and love for them was unwavering. The same can be said of her grandchildren, siblings, extended family, and others she met during the course of her life-her love was unwavering. Her philosophy of life can be summed up in her own words: "Do what you can, for who you can, while you can!". She believed those words, tried to live by those words, and tried to instill in her children and grandchildren to live by those words. Mama, Grandma, Sister, will be sorely and dearly missed by her family and others that knew her.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Hill

5829 Ritchie Highway  
Brooklyn, MD 21230

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

FEB 1. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Wake

FEB 2. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

1st Bapt. Ch. of Cherryhill  
823 Cherry Hill Rd.  
Balto., MD

## Service

FEB 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

1st Bapt. Ch. of Cherryhill  
823 Cherry Hill Rd.  
Balto., MD



# Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Agnes Thomas*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *8 files added to the album New Album Name*



**Michelle Thomas** - January 31, 2015 at 10:11 PM



“ *Remember the good times and she will always be with you. God bless you all.*

*Chauncey & Romonia Lewis, Richmond, VA*

**Romonia Lewis** - January 31, 2015 at 09:26 AM



“ *Jeffrey W. Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Ellen Agnes Thomas*



**Jeffrey W. Thomas** - January 30, 2015 at 08:49 PM

JT

“ As a child home from school on a rare Baltimore City snow day, she bet me I couldn't make it up to the shopping center up on Cherry Hill Road because the little corner store in easy walking distance from home was closed.

So up to Cherry Hill Road I trudged, through snow up to my knees and back, I realized that she had tricked me about half way back but she got those groceries she wanted.

Thank you Agnes for guiding me along my 52 years, miss you already

Your Son,

Jeffrey

---

**Jeffrey W. Thomas** - January 30, 2015 at 08:46 PM

TB

“ Please accept my deepest condolences for the lost of your dear loved one. There is a promise from our creator that provides some comfort for your family and friends about our family we've lost in death. Please accept this bible scripture as a reminder of this promise. Revelations 21:3,4.

---

**T. Berry** - January 29, 2015 at 11:18 AM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

---

**March Funeral Homes** - January 29, 2015 at 10:27 AM