



## Edrice W. Thomas

April 3, 1939 - May 12, 2022

Live stream link:

<http://www.bit.ly/mimithomas>

Edrice Woodruff “Mimi” Thomas, 83, of McDonough Georgia passed away on Thursday May 12, 2022. Edrice was born on April 3, 1939 to Edrice G. Thomas and Columbus A. Thomas Jr. in New Orleans Louisiana. In 1945, at the age of 6 years old, Edrice met her 13 year old neighbor Wilbert J. Thomas Sr. whom she would go on to marry ten years later on April 7, 1955. In August of 1956, the couple welcomed their first and only son, Wilbert J. Thomas Jr. into the world. In addition to being a loving wife and mother, Edrice pursued her passion for doing hair and nails. She did beautician work at some of the finest beauty salons in New Orleans. Edrice was also an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed making drapes, curtains, sheets, and dresses. She was a woman of many talents and utilized her gifts with a purpose of giving back to others. On September 10, 1978, Edrice’s life changed forever when the love of her life of 23 years passed away. Although heartbroken by her loss, she continued to pursue her professional career while supporting her son as he joined the United States Air Force and married his high school sweetheart Paula. One of her greatest joys in life was becoming a grandmother to her 2 grandchildren, Christine and Will, and a great-grandmother to her great grandson Christiano. Edrice was a resident of New Orleans Louisiana for 66 years until the wrath of Hurricane Katrina

involuntarily forced her to relocate to McDonough Georgia. She immediately made a name for herself while getting acclimated to her new community home at Grier Manor. Edrice who to many became known as "Mimi", was a phenomenal cook. She developed a reputation for being the best cook in the community and loved sharing her cuisines with family, neighbors, and friends. Edrice spearheaded community events involving her favorite holiday Mardi Gras, as well as opportunities to gather neighbors and friends for late-night card games. In addition to paving the way for social activities in her community, she also spent time volunteering at the food pantry and with St. Vincent De Paul at her home church of St. James the Apostle Catholic Church. In 2016, The McDonough Chamber of Commerce recognized Edrice for her outstanding volunteer service. Her mission in life was to give back to others and prided herself on her legacy, her family. Edrice was preceded in death by her mother Edrice G. Thomas, father Columbus A. Thomas Jr., husband Wilbert J. Thomas Sr, and sister Billie Jean Jones. Edrice is survived by her son Wilbert J. Thomas Jr, daughter-in-law Paula Thomas, granddaughter Christine Thomas, grandson Wilbert J. Thomas III, great-grandson Christiano J. Kaminski, siblings Thomra Ann Thomas, Valeria Williams, Aneta Burton, Aleta Thomas, Ann Gilliam, Columbus Anthony Thomas III, Bartley Thomas Sr, Dennis Thomas as well as 43 nieces and nephews, 111 great nieces and nephews, 27 great-great nieces and nephews, and a host of many friends. Services will be held at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in McDonough Georgia, Monday May 23, 2022 at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Vincent De Paul at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church  
1000 Decatur Rd.  
McDonough, GA 30253

# Tribute Wall



“ *W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Edrice W. Thomas*



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**W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home** - May 22, 2022 at 07:40 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 22, 2022 at 04:47 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 22, 2022 at 09:10 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 22, 2022 at 12:08 AM



“ *Mimi was a dear friend who spent her life helping others. We love you and miss you!  
The members of St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. James Catholic Church, McDonough.*

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**Sandra Kuhne** - May 21, 2022 at 10:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 19, 2022 at 10:46 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 18, 2022 at 08:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 18, 2022 at 03:27 PM



“ *Sending My Deepest Condolences, MiMi will truly be missed..❤️*

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**Angela Thomas** - May 18, 2022 at 02:42 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 17, 2022 at 11:37 PM



“ *Mimi,*

*I'll never forget our many conversations and times together. I love you so much!! Thanks for always being there for me ❤️🙏 Our last words will remain with me for the rest of my life ❤️*



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**Will Thomas** - May 17, 2022 at 11:28 PM

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“ Ms. Edrice was full of life and a great person to know. I enjoyed seeing Ms. Edrice when she came to New Orleans and when visiting Grogia. She was extremely proud of her son Will. She will be truly missed by Sykina and Cameron Jr.

Sykina Gaston - May 17, 2022 at 07:38 PM

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“ Love you always Mimi❤️



Christine Thomas - May 17, 2022 at 05:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.



May 17, 2022 at 05:04 PM

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“ RIP MiMi! You are a beautiful person inside and out. You will be missed dearly. Keeping the Thomas Family in prayer! 🙏

*Kari Coleman & Family*

Kari - May 17, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edrice W. Thomas.*



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May 16, 2022 at 04:09 PM



“ *Rest In Peace dear friend. Wishing you comfort and peace 🙏*



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**The Blakeney Family** - May 16, 2022 at 01:06 PM



“ *God bless the Thomas family. I was privileged enough to meet Mimi and know how much she will be missed.*

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**Phillip Dominick Jr.** - May 16, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *This was a mother, friend, provider and a wonderful, fabulous lady. I remember the times we would go out to shop and eat late at night. She always took on the world to support or tell it like it is. Mimi will always be in my heart and her everlasting cooking. Will be Miss and see you soon.*

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**Carolyn Brumfield** - May 16, 2022 at 12:42 PM

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“ Rest In Peace To the worlds best hairdresser and neighbor. I remember the day Ms. Edrice was doing the dance called “The Bump” with me (as a child) and when her hips hit mine, I went flying across the room. I’m praying for Wilbert Jr and the family. Love  
Ingrid Allison

Ingrid Allison - May 13, 2022 at 08:22 PM

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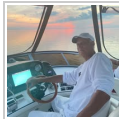
“ With Love Always, Condolences to Great Spirited Neighbor and Friend of Family, Keeping Her in My Heart Always From Harold C Allison II

Harold Allison - May 13, 2022 at 08:11 PM

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“ She really be missed ,Praying The Family!! From Thelma Mackie Allison & Famly

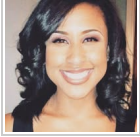
Thelma Allison - May 13, 2022 at 08:06 PM



God Bless and Comfort you Skip. May your Mom Rest In Peace 🙏

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Cyril Jefferson - May 16, 2022 at 12:06 PM



“ Mimi I am so blessed to have had you as my Grandmother. I miss you so much and love you. Thank you for all of the wonderful memories, late night chats, and fun times together. I know you are with Our Lord and the love of your life Paw Paw Will. Until we meet again..rest well and I love you forever.



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**Christine Thomas** - May 13, 2022 at 09:54 AM

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*This is where it all started. Mimi at 3 months with our dearly departed Mother (the first Edrice). They are together again and we will now miss both of them.*

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**Thomra (Tammy)Thomas/Sister** - May 16, 2022 at 12:07 PM

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*Rest well sis. Your brother and I will always love you. Thank you for the loving kindness that you always showed me. Along with the good food that always brought a smile.*

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**Bartley and Gayle Thomas** - May 19, 2022 at 01:06 PM