



Ruth G. Thomas

October 1, 2019

Ruth G. Thomas 98, of Allentown, passed away October 1, 2019 in the Lehigh Valley Hospital, Salisbury Twp. She was the loving wife of the late William H. Thomas, Jr. Ruth was an operator at the former Silver Star Manufacturing Company in Allentown until retiring in 1982. Prior to that, she was an operator at the former Pamby Sportswear and Miss Robin both in Allentown and R & F Dress Company, Emmaus. Born in Allentown, she was the daughter of the late Raymond A. and Helen A. (Hiskey) Gaumer. Ruth was a member and past president of UNITE, was a tenant council president and organized many events at Gross Towers in Allentown. Ruth was a member and former president of the Young at Heart group at of the former St. James Lutheran Church, Allentown. She was a volunteer at the Jackson School in Allentown, where she organized the annual Easter Egg Hunt, assisted with all holiday celebrations and was a volunteer reader to the children. She was a former volunteer for the Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Ruth was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Allentown.

Survivors: Sons: William H. Thomas III of Allentown and David M. Thomas and his wife Penny of Allentown, Daughters: Linda L. wife of James Mills of Whitehall, Kay T. wife of Victor Sherbrick of Allentown and Susan E. Thomas of Allentown, Brother: Roslyn Gaumer of Macungie, 9 Grandchildren, 14 Great-Grandchildren and 1 Great-Great-Grandson. She was preceded in death by a Daughter: Elizabeth A. "Lyz" Hearn and Grandchildren: Curtis

Thomas and Brett Thomas.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, at 10 A.M. in the J.S. Burkholder Funeral Home, 16th and Hamilton Sts. Allentown. Call Saturday from 9 A.M. to 10 A.M. in the funeral home.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the Cedarbrook Nursing Home Auxiliary Fund, 350 S. Cedarbrook Road Allentown, PA 18104.

Cemetery Details

Zion Cemetery

Kreidersville, PA

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

J S Burkholder Funeral Home Inc
1601 W Hamilton Street
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Service

OCT 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I know that Ruth will be in your hearts and provide sweet memories for all those children and grandchildren forever. Our sincerest condolences to Susie and all the family. Chester and Phyllis Graham, Fairview, TX.

Phyllis Graham - October 04, 2019 at 01:37 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth G. Thomas.



October 04, 2019 at 01:32 PM

DH

“ So sorry to hear of Aunt Ruth's passing! Hadn't seen the family in a long time. There is not many children left in the family that had 14 kids. I guess the only one left is Roslyn. My condolences to you Bill and the rest of the family. Sincerely Deborah. Gaumer Heidecker Heptner. Take care of you!

Deborah Heidecker Heptner - October 03, 2019 at 02:56 PM

BA

“ I recognized your Mom's photo immediately. I was your neighbor on Sixth Street and have many memories of your wonderful family. My name was Rindock. So sorry for your loss.

Barb Martucci

Barb - October 03, 2019 at 09:46 AM

SS

“ *I only had a chance to know Ruth a short time, but she a sweet lady and a ball of fire.*

God bless to her and her wonderful family.

Stephen Savage - October 02, 2019 at 07:18 PM