



## Vela Mae Thomas Obituary

May 7, 1923 - April 16, 2007

Vela Mae Hatcher Thomas, 83, of Mitchell County died Monday at Lee County Health Care. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 3 PM at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church (Mitchell County) with interment to follow in the church Cemetery. Rev. Chris Hall, Rev. Charles Daniell, Rev. Douglas Hatcher, and Mr. Jason Barksdale will officiate. Mrs. Thomas, a native of Mitchell County, was a graduate of Andrew College. She was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She retired from Bell South following 33 years of service. She was a lover of sports, especially basketball, playing for Andrew College and BellSouth teams. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Johnnie Perry Hatcher; her sister, Annie Belle Freeman; 5 brothers: Arthur Hatcher, J. R. Hatcher, J. C. Hatcher, Cranford Hatcher, and Lamar Hatcher. Survivors include her husband of 61 years, Jarone Thomas of Mitchell County; her son, Judson Thomas, and his wife Donna of Lee County; her daughter, Wanda Barksdale, and her husband, Ronald, of Worth County; 5 grandchildren: Van Barksdale and his wife Dana, Jason Barksdale and his wife Mandy, Will Barksdale, Lauren Thomas, and Maegan Thomas; 3 great-grandchildren: Madison Barksdale, Emma Barksdale, and Caroline Barksdale; a sister-in-law, Lula Hatcher, and a host of nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank the staff and friends of Lee County Health Care for more than 10 years of love and devotion that was given and shown to Mrs. Thomas during her stay in Lee County. Memorial contributions may be made to Lee

County Health Care, Activity Funds, 214 Main St., Leesburg, GA 31763.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vela Mae Thomas Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Jerome, Judson, Donna and family, I am very sorry about Mrs. Vela passing away. I did not find out in time to come. Take care.  
Love, Diane*

**Diane Hatcher** - April 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

**Maribeth Atherton & Family** - April 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ To the Barksdale family,

*I am sorry to hear of your loss. Cherish the memories. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers during the upcoming days. Keep the faith. God will see you through this difficult time.*

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**MaryAnn Welch** - April 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this sad time. May God bless you all.

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**Cindy and Neil Brown** - April 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Judson, I am so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family.

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**Jack Jones** - April 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Mrs. Donna Thomas and family - I am praying for you during this time. I am praying that the Lord will set your hearts and minds at ease.

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**Ashley Evans** - April 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Mama Vela,

*We all know that you are in a much better place now and couldn't be happier for you. Thank you for 22 years of love, devotion, and memories. You taught me and so many others so much about living life to the fullest. I love you!*

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**Lauren Thomas** - April 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM