



Ida Thomas

October 15, 1921 - August 6, 2015

Ida L. Thomas, 93, Dover, Kansas, passed away Thursday, August 06, 2015.

Ida was born October 15, 1921, in Keene KS, the daughter of Opal Nicely Olson, although she and her brother, Edward were raised by their grandparents, Edith and Al Nicely. Edward was killed in Belgium on March 23, 1945, and was buried in Henri-Chappell Military Cemetery, Belgium.

Ida attended Snokomo Grade School and graduated from Alma High School in 1939. She was married on October 23, 1940 to LeRoy Schutter at Alma to which four children were born, Ronald LeRoy, Allan Francis (who was killed 15 months after returning from Vietnam), Sharon Kay and Allana Rae. LeRoy died of cancer.

On March 12, 1954, Ida and Clayton Thomas were married. They had three children, Connie Sue, Paul Edward and Everette Clayton. The family moved to Dover in 1954, where they lived until Clayton's death on December 2, 2009, and where Ida continued to live.

For many years, Ida operated the Royal Beauty Salon in her home. She retired from the State of Kansas in 1987 as supervisor of motor carrier registration after 15 years of service. She was a member of the Social Club, Royal Neighbors for 73 years, Dover Federated Church, the Ladies' Aide and

Order of the Eastern Star for 65 years.

Ida was an avid Kansas City Royals fan. She enjoyed cooking, quilting, sewing and crocheting, giving many hand-made gifts to members of her family. Ida loved her family and was loved and treasured by them. Her presence will be greatly missed.

Grateful to have shared Ida's life are her children, Ronald and JoAnn Schutter, Eskridge, Kay Sanneman and Dewey, Cheney, Allana Barngrover, Topeka, Connie Miller, Harveyville, Paul Thomas and Joy, Auburn, and Everette Thomas and Judy, Harveyville; 13 grandchildren, Galen Schutter, Diane Burlew, John Schutter, Jason Schutter, Chris Hays, Debra Lathers, Bruce Hays, Heather Dunlap, D.C. Sterbenz, Miya Godfrey, Allan Thomas, Rick Thomas, and Melissa Schlegel; 27 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter; sister, Marian Orton, Topeka; brother-in-law, Harold Gleason, Maple Hill; sisters-in-law, Mary Thomas, Harveyville and Jerry Thomas, Burlingame; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ida was also preceded in death by her step-father and mother, Francis M. (Frank) and Opal Shipp; sister, Pauline Love; brothers, Paul Shipp, Edward Olson, and Merle Shipp; great-grandson, Quinton Schutter; and son-in-law, Dennis Miller.

Family will greet friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Dover Federated Church, Dover KS. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the Church. Burial will follow in Dover Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Dover Community Center, PO Box 244, Dover KS 66420 or in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614 . Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Dover Cemetery

Dover, KS

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 4:00 AM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Funeral Service

AUG 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

Dover Federated Church
Dover, KS

Tribute Wall



“ *Ida Thomas*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Allana and family,*

So sorry for the loss of your mother. Cherish all the fond memories of her as I know your family will.

Gary and Bev Shaw



Beverly Shaw - August 10, 2015 at 10:33 PM



“ *I'm sadden for the loss of your mother. She was fun to play pitch. I will remember she was the one that would call you a pig if you took all 10 points. Harold and I will be out of town this week. Very sorry we won't be here to share in her celebration of life.*

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you with His peace.

Love to the family Harold and Wanola Patterson.

Wanola Patterson - August 08, 2015 at 09:47 AM

KG

“ *Connie Sue, Heather and family,*

We're very sorry for your loss. We're sending an extra hug and a prayer to you and your family.

Kathy & Mike Green

Kathy Green - August 08, 2015 at 06:43 AM

RW

“ *Ryan Wright purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Ida Thomas.*



Ryan Wright - August 07, 2015 at 10:05 PM

EH

“ *Sending love to all the family. Ida was such a darling. So sorry for your loss. Ella Hood*

Ella Hood - August 07, 2015 at 06:37 PM

JH

“ *god great grandma thomas i am going to surely miss you! we had so many memories all of the us grandkids on the gator with great grandpa thomas and going to your house for some of those famous mash potatoes you always made! heaven gained another precious angel today, but atleast you are with family and among loved ones. im going to miss you great grandma more than ever but it my heart is where you will stay from now until forever!*

julia kundert (julia cae higgins) - August 07, 2015 at 06:21 PM

RT

“ *She will be remembered by so many family and friends as she touched so many people in her life. An inspiring woman who raised a big family. Now she is at rest but still living in our hearts and memories.*

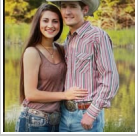
Richard Thompson - August 07, 2015 at 05:50 PM



“ *Garden To Go Basket was purchased for the family of Ida Thomas.*



August 07, 2015 at 03:11 PM



“ Yesterday the most amazing women I know joined my grandpa in heaven. My little cousin Trenton called it a family reunion for her. She taught us all that.....Heaven, God, family, and Strength. The past few days I realized where my strength comes from as a women, first my Lord God, but 2nd, my Grandmother Ida Thomas. I have thought in the past I wanted to be like her....strong, hard worker, faithful to God, passionate to family, friends, neighbors, and even a stranger. She sat with many family members and neighbors during their final hours here on earth, caring for them, and praying for them. I realize just this week.....that I am like her.....She has led this example that I find my strength, hard work, love and passion in my Life. I am blessed I could be with her in these final past days caring for her as I know she would me. 93 years old....and only 5-6 years ago was still bottle feeding an orphan calf on the farm. I love you grandma.....I wrap myself in your quilts, decorate with your doilies, have the crocheted table cloth on my table today, and smile in my heart as I cherish all the times you were there to support me and my family. Only a few years ago she was at Kayley's state basketball tournament and 33 years ago at my State cross country meet. There was never a meal we gathered for that she didn't expect us to say grace hand in hand. I love this grandma of mine.....Its hard to say good bye to the one Rock we could always depend on. God bless you grandma.
— feeling blessed. Debra (Hays) Lathers

Debra Lathers - August 07, 2015 at 02:16 PM

RB

“ It has indeed been my pleasure to have known Ida for close to 28 years. She so loved her family and was completely devoted to them. Ida led by example in showing love, devotion, and unselfish caring for her family and friends.

God Bless all her family and friends. The world has lost a jewel.

Russ L Burlew - August 07, 2015 at 09:47 AM