



Linda Thorpe

March 26, 1948 - February 26, 2019

Linda Joe Thorpe age 70 of Oakwood, GA was born on March 26, 1948 in Gainesville, GA, Hall County to Clarence and Mary Brown. She attended school in Gainesville, GA. She worked for Gainesville Manufacturing and Dundee Mills before finally settling at the place she called her second home, Walmart. She worked the last 10 years at Walmart where she was lovingly known as “Ms. Linda”. She had a quiet generous spirit and she was loved by all who knew her. She loved to cook and bake, especially for the holidays. It was never a surprise to see a table full of red velvet cakes, carrot cakes, pecan pies, sweet potato pies, banana pudding and those rice krispy treats. There was always two of each, one to eat while you were at her house and one to take home. Christmas was by far her favorite time of the year. Although she worked most Holidays, she was off on Christmas Day. She found so much joy in just watching the faces of her grandchildren opening gifts. She was never one to pass up a “Good Deal” at Walmart, so the kids enjoyed all the “Free Shopping” opportunities when they went to Nana’s house.

She was most proud of the fact that her children were each successful in their own rite. She can rest well knowing that her latter years were definitely her greater years.

She peacefully departed this life on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 in her home. Her loving presence will be forever cherished by her children: Kimberly Carithers of Braselton, GA, Kerry (Sandy) Butts of Flowery Branch, Derek Butts of Denver Colorado, Gregory (Christi) Smith of Dumfries Virginia, Apryl

(Orenthal) Gates of Ellenwood, GA, Robert (Wendy) Thorpe III of Decatur, GA, Stephanie (Demond) Jones of Stone Mountain, GA, Christopher (Eva) Thorpe of Lancaster, SC, and Anthony Thorpe of Atlanta, GA.

Affectionately known as "Nana", she will be forever in the hearts of her grandchildren: Christopher (Shataya) Carithers, Paul, Corey, Brianna Butts, Lavone Early, Dominick Butts, Anslee Smith, Yemia and Oryn Gates, Ethan, Harper and Samuel Thorpe, Dakota Sheppard, Elizabeth and Alexandria Jones, Isabella and Oliva Thorpe.

Great grands: Taylor Carithers, Maleigha and Christopher Sorrells, Khai Ealy, London Ealy and Khloe Ealy.

The baby girl of Clarence and Mary Brown is survived by her siblings: John (Latisha) Brown, Robert Lee Brown, Evelyn Annette Westbrooks, Carlton (Delores) Brown, Shirley Mize and Grady Eugene (Ivie) Brown. She was preceded in death by her brother Clarence Brown Jr.

She leaves to cherish her memory a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wimberly Funeral Home
325 Summitt St SE
Gainesville, GA 30501
(770) 536-3251
info@wimberlyjackson.com
<https://www.wimberlyjacksonfuneralhome.com>

Service

MAR 5. 1:00 PM (ET)

Memorial Park Chapel
2030 Memorial Park Drive
Gainesville , GA 30504

Tribute Wall



“ *Linda Thorpe*

October 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *Camille Stephens lit a candle in memory of
Linda Thorpe*



Camille Stephens - February 04, 2022 at 09:09 AM

GS

“ Mom it's me, #4. Thank you for the time we had. Thank you for the love, advice, letting me vent, and dealing with everything else I brought to you. You were such a private person but you managed to have a profound affect on so many people. You always told me how important it was/is to just "Show Up". I want you to know we showed up.



They say it takes a village, Mama, all my life I have heard "the Village" talk about Race Street and Hobbs Alley, well no one in my generation can locate either. Well, the Village showed up, they showed up for you mama. Christopher your #7, said it best, people show up for what they want to. Our village of, Summit St, Newtown, the former Atlanta St, Melrose, Blacks Dr, Harrison Sq, Floyd Rd, Morning Side, Gaines Mill Rd they showed up. We could never be more proud and thankful of a community that helped raise us.

Mom, your brothers and sisters were there. They loved you just as we did, your friends and co workers showed up. Uncle Gene and cousin Tim told wonderful stories of your life that we didn't know. Your Wal-Mart family was there every step of the way. It was a humbling experience to see the love and respect so many people showed for you. They showed up.

Mama, please rest well and know that all 9 of "Linda Jo's Kidz" and grandkids will be ok.. We now have each other to lean on. I feel it in my soul that your 9 have rekindled the love for one another that you have instilled with in us.

Mama, I love you and.....

*I am #4,
Greg Smith (Shrimp)*

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:25 AM

RY

“ *Our condolences & prayers to the family. May God comfort & strengthen you all. May your dear sweet Mom Rest In Peace.*

Rodney & Mika Young - March 07, 2019 at 05:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda Thorpe .*



March 05, 2019 at 10:11 AM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Linda Thorpe .*



March 04, 2019 at 09:11 PM

CW

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I have so many childhood memories because you often opened your home to me. You will truly be missed. Step, thank you for sharing your mother with me. I love you all. Prayers..*



CRYSTAL WILMONT - March 04, 2019 at 03:03 PM

GS

Thank you Crystal.... We love you.... The 9.

Greg Smith - March 10, 2019 at 11:50 PM

SJ

*Crystal, Thank you! And thank you for sharing this moment with us.
With Love from us all!*

Stephanie Jones - April 10, 2019 at 02:40 PM

CJ

“*Kim, very sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. We pray that God gives your family comfort, peace, and strength during this time and the days to come. God Bless!*”

Charles & Sandra Jackson

Charles Jackson - March 04, 2019 at 02:47 PM

JF

“*Joyce Mitchell @ Family lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*”



Joyce Mitchell @ Family - March 04, 2019 at 02:42 PM

DI

I am so sorry for your love one but you had the greatest mom and she always help you at Walmart love you Linda rest in peace.

Diane - March 04, 2019 at 07:47 PM

GS

Diane, thank you for your kind words... I am so glad that mom had an impact on your life.... Love, The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 10, 2019 at 11:52 PM

GS

Thank you Joyce for coming to visit with us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:28 AM

A(

“ Anthony and Betty Mills (Virginia) purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Linda Thorpe .



Anthony and Betty Mills (Virginia) - March 04, 2019 at 01:24 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness* was purchased for the family of Linda Thorpe .



March 04, 2019 at 11:39 AM

TP

“ *My deepest condolences to the Brown & Thorpe Families*



Theresa Puryear - March 04, 2019 at 10:22 AM

GS

Thank you. Thank you for your prayers.... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:30 AM

TF

“ *Travon Mack & Family sends thoughts and prayers to the family.*



Travon Mack & Family - March 04, 2019 at 08:54 AM

GS

Travon, We thank you for your thoughts and prayers. Thank you also for gathering with us.... The 9 of us

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:31 AM

EB

“ *Estelle Butts sending prayers to the family of Linda Thorpe*



Estelle W Butts - March 04, 2019 at 08:03 AM

GS

Thank you Estelle... The 9 of us

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:35 AM

CN

“ *Cheryl Niles And Family send their Condolences to Linda Thorpe Family. 🙏*



cheryl Niles - March 03, 2019 at 10:57 PM

GS

Than you Cheryl..... Love you, the 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:40 AM

MM

“ *Mattie L Mathis lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*



Mattie L Mathis - March 03, 2019 at 09:40 PM

GS

Thank you Ms Mathis.... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:39 AM

Dani
Turner

“ *Dani Turner lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*



Dani Turner - March 03, 2019 at 03:31 PM

GS

Thank you Dani..... We appreciate your thoughts and prayers..... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:41 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Thorpe .*



March 03, 2019 at 10:32 AM



“ *Clairese Wright lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*



Clairese wright - March 03, 2019 at 09:38 AM



“ *The Yarbrough and Young Family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Linda Thorpe .*



The Yarbrough and Young Family - March 02, 2019 at 11:46 PM



“ *To the Thorpe family,*

On behalf of the Andrews, Powers, and Gates family we send our love, thoughts and prayers to you at this difficult time.



Blanche Gates - March 02, 2019 at 10:42 PM

GS

Hello Ms Blanche, that you for your thoughts and prayers. We really miss and love you and your family..... Love The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:44 AM

JG

“ *Joycelyn Hailey Glasper lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*



Joycelyn Hailey Glasper - March 02, 2019 at 10:17 PM

GS

Thank you Ms Glasper.... Love the 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:45 AM

EB

“ *My condolences to the family of Mrs. Linda Thorpe. May God continue to strengthen and comfort you all during this sorrowful time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. R.I.H Mrs. Linda!* 🙏🌹



Elisa Bonds-Ratliff - March 02, 2019 at 08:23 PM

GS

Thank you Lisa for you your thoughts and prayers... Love the 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:46 AM

AG

“ *Wishing I could just pick up the phone and call you as I did everyday. We sometimes would only speak for about 5 minutes but those minutes were precious. Mostly I just wanted to make sure you were ok.. alive.. breathing. I have peace in knowing those physical limitations are no longer an issue for you. I had a rough night last night. It's still so hard to believe. We have a lot of support and many prayers are going up for us from family and friends near and far. We long for one more day... one more chance... but the day after that would still be just as hard. My heart hurts. I love you so much. I know the Lord loved you so much more. I know it hurt Him more to see His daughter in pain so I accept that He called your name. Rest in the arms of our Savior mama.*



Apryl Gates - March 02, 2019 at 02:12 PM

GS

#5, you are the strength of the 9 of us. Thank you for ensuring every step and process was a done correctly and to mama's request. We love you... the other 8 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:51 AM

JA

“ *Jason lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe*



Jason - March 02, 2019 at 08:54 AM

GS

Jason, Thank you brother... Than you for you kind words..... Greg

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:53 AM

NL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during these difficult times.

Nate Lewis & family (Virginia)

Nate Lewis - March 02, 2019 at 08:07 AM

GS

Nate, my brother. Thank you for you love and support..... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:55 AM

HF

“ Hopkins &Brawner Family lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe



Hopkins &Brawner Family - March 02, 2019 at 01:36 AM

GS

Thank you to the Hopkins and Brawner family got you thoughts and prayers..... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:56 AM

HF

“ Hopkins &Brawmer Family lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe



Hopkins &Brawmer Family - March 02, 2019 at 12:42 AM

SJ

Light a candle in remembrance of Linda Thorpe love the family

Star Johnson - March 05, 2019 at 12:31 AM

GS

Thank you Star Johnson..... We are so lucky to be part of your life... We love you. The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:58 AM

CB

“ Linda. Your smile and kindness lives on and will never be forgotten.



Cassandra Butts - March 01, 2019 at 10:41 PM

GS

Thank you SANDY... Mom loved you so much..... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 12:59 AM

KB

“ Mom, you are forever in my heart.

Kerry Butts - March 01, 2019 at 10:38 PM

GS

We share the love with you Kerry. Love, the 8 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:03 AM

MT

“ We love you mama!! Your tender heart, cooking, spoiling g babies and smile will be missed. So thankful you are able to rest now and do whatever you want with our limitations. Love you



Michelle Thorpe - March 01, 2019 at 10:04 PM

GS

Thank you sis for your kind words..... We love you, the 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:06 AM

BF

“ Betty Butts & Terence Bailey and Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Linda Thorpe .



Betty Butts & Terence Bailey and Family - March 01, 2019 at 09:23 PM

KJ

*“ So sorry for your loss. Words will not wipe away your tears and hugs may not ease the pain, but hold onto your memories because forever they will remain. Always remember when you lose someone you love, you gain an angel you know that will continue to watch over you! My Deepest Condolences.
The Hill Family*



Kistala Jackson - March 01, 2019 at 08:45 PM

GS

Thank you to the Hill family.... Ms Jackson, thank you for your kind words..... The 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:11 AM

SW

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. It is in times of grief and sorrow that God really shows us the power of his grace and mercy. May He give you comfort in your time of grief and happiness and contentment in the knowledge that she is one of the blessed ones who is living her best life in eternity with our Lord and Savior. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do for you. SaWan, Amy, Shalon, Tori and Emerson (your Maryland Family)

SaWan Watford - March 01, 2019 at 07:52 PM

GS

Thank you SaWan my sister.... Thank you for you words and prayers. I am so blessed to have my Maryland family. Love you all..... Greg

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:18 AM

GY

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends. Our prayers are with you all for grace and mercy. Greg Yarbrough and Family(Virginia)



Gregory Yarbrough - March 01, 2019 at 07:43 PM

GS

GY, my brother.... I can't that you and Rodie enough. Love you guys..... Greg

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:20 AM

CT

“ *I love you so much mama.*



Chris Thorpe - March 01, 2019 at 05:48 PM

GS

Love you #7..... The 8 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:21 AM

SJ

“ *Words can never express how much I love you and will miss you!
You were Mama, you were doctor, you were teacher, you were
comforter, you were counselor, you were banker, you were a second
mother to my kids, you were All! Until we meet again, I will forever
love you - Rest Easy, Love Step!!*

Stephanie Jones - March 01, 2019 at 05:40 PM

GS

Yes indeed, she was everything..... Love you...The 8 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:36 AM

AG

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Apryl Gates - March 01, 2019 at 05:37 PM

AG

“ Thank you Wal-Mart in Oakwood for loving our mom and being her second family!



Apryl Gates - March 01, 2019 at 05:36 PM

SJ

“ Stephanie Jones lit a candle in memory of Linda Thorpe



Stephanie Jones - March 01, 2019 at 05:19 PM

DI

My heart goes out to the family she was a good woman.

Diane - March 06, 2019 at 08:18 PM

GS

Thank you for your kind words Ms Diane. We are glad the mom was a part of your life..... Love the 9 of us.

Greg Smith - March 11, 2019 at 01:44 AM