



## Corene Dempsey Thomas

August 8, 1935 - April 14, 2024

Corene Thompson Dempsey Thomas, daughter of the late Sherman and Bessie Thompson was born in Lumberton, NC. on August 8, 1935. She departed this life on April 14, 2024 in Lumberton NC. She was married to the late Lucious Dempsey Jr, and to this union nine children were born in EnglishTown (Pergolaville) New Jersey.

Corene accepted Christ at an early age at first Baptist Church 504 west 2nd Street, Lumberton N.C. She held many positions throughout the years and was active in the life of FBC. she enjoyed being a Servant of the Lord. and would sing to the Lord every morning. Corene graduated from J.H. Hayswood High School in 1953. She would later further her education to become an advocate For Childrens Rights in Freehold NJ.

In 1975 Corene returned to Lumberton, continuing to follow her passion for Children. She was employed at first Baptist Church to work in their Day care facility. She would later go on to work for the public Schools of Robeson County Serving at Green Grove, Proctorville, and eventually Long Branch Elementary where she retired. Corene Continued to Serve and Volunteer for the public schools until the age of 80.

In 1999 Her love for God led Corene to accept yet another Call on her life, she was licensed as a Missionary under the late Bishop Ned Graham and Was later elevated to Minister Corene Thomas.

As time and age surrounds us all, Corene commute t to Church was

Concerning to her Children. Minister Thomas decided to place her membership at sandy Grove Baptist Church Lumberton NC. under the leadership of T. Shedrick Byrd and Later under the leadership of Pastor K. Barnes she Called both these men of God her sons) Corene served faithfully until the declining of her health.

As a woman who loved hats, she wore many of them. She answered to many titles she was Ma`D, Grandma. Mother, Sweets, Goldie, granny Coco, to name a few. She enjoyed her family, gatherings, cooking, traveling, and communing with friends. She lived a full life. always encouraging, smiling, loving. She was preceded in death by her husband Lucious Dempsey Jr., three daughters Vicki Dempsey, Deidre Dempsey, and Edna Dempsey Walters. Seven sisters Bessie Thompson, Addie M. Dunn, Luef. Thompson, Annie Stevenson, Mildred Davis, Mary J Thompson, and Lessie Nare.

She leaves to cherish her fond memories. 4 daughters De`borah D. Williams of Killeen Texas, Ollie McCallum (William), Beverly Dempsey, Lucia Dempsey of Lumberton NC. Two Sons Derrick Dempsey Sr. (Audrey) and Darnell of Lumberton. NC. Two brothers Sherman Thompson Jr. (Floria) of Baltimore, Md., David Thompson of Lumberton. twelve grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, and three great great grandchildren. A host of nieces, nephews, family and Friends, Her Spiritual Children Ruth Graham, Zavery McDougald, A special Thank you to Ivan Davis, for "always being in the moment. and Thank you to all her many Spiritual Children our Mother loved you all

# Cemetery Details

## Elizabeth Heights Cemetery

Lumberton, NC 28358

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home  
1904 Elizabethtown Road  
Lumberton, NC 28348  
(910) 738-4544  
info@hmcolvin.com  
<https://www.HMColvin.com>

## Celebration of Life

APR 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sandy Grove Baptist Church  
1600 MLK Drive  
Lumberton, NC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Corene Dempsey Thomas*



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - May 02, 2024 at 09:37 AM

DD

“ *My Prayers are with the families  
From Gary Ellis  
Regenia Ellis Williams  
Demetrice Dixon & Robert Dixon and family*



demetrice dixon - April 19, 2024 at 02:56 AM

RF

“ *Rodney Williams & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Corene Dempsey Thomas.*



Rodney Williams & Family - April 18, 2024 at 11:22 PM

RF

“ Rodney Williams & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Corene Dempsey Thomas.

Rodney Williams & Family - April 18, 2024 at 11:22 PM

TF

“ The Thompson and Bidding Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Corene Dempsey Thomas.



The Thompson and Bidding Family - April 18, 2024 at 04:03 PM

MF

“ Moore Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Corene Dempsey Thomas



Moore Family - April 18, 2024 at 11:27 AM

EB

“ Erica C. Barnhill lit a candle in memory of Corene Dempsey Thomas



Erica C. Barnhill - April 18, 2024 at 10:52 AM

SM

“ Sending prayers and condolences. Much love. Sandra and family



Sandra Mimms - April 18, 2024 at 05:39 AM

UF

“ Uncle Sherman & Aunt Floria purchased the Written in the Stars for the family of Corene Dempsey Thomas.



Uncle Sherman & Aunt Floria - April 17, 2024 at 08:56 PM

HF

“ Howard and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Corene Dempsey Thomas.



Howard and Family - April 17, 2024 at 06:35 PM

KA

“ Kenneth Addison lit a candle in memory of Corene Dempsey Thomas



Kenneth Addison - April 17, 2024 at 05:48 PM

PA

“ PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS GOD  
BLESS YOU ALL 🙏

Panzie - April 16, 2024 at 09:26 PM

EM

*Sorry for your loss just*

Elliott McDowell - April 17, 2024 at 10:29 PM

RP

“ Rev. David And Carolyn Powell sent a virtual  
gift in memory of Corene Dempsey Thomas



Rev. David and Carolyn Powell - April 16, 2024 at 10:11 AM