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**R**obert D. Thomas, 78, of Norwich, Ohio died Thursday morning, March 9, 2017 at Genesis Hospice in Zanesville, Ohio.

Born November 19, 1938 in Madison Township of Muskingum County, he was a son of the late Walter G. and Phyllis C. (Poorman) Thomas and was a 1956 graduate of Dresden Jefferson High School. Mr. Thomas attended The Ohio State University and received his Bachelor's degree in agriculture. Following college he proudly served our country in the U. S. Army from 1961 to 1963. He worked as a farm manager for the State of Ohio, retiring after 28 years of service. Later he worked for Lumi-Lite Candle Company for several years. Robert was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church. He was a very avid Ohio State fan and he enjoyed gardening, woodworking and caring for his chickens and selling eggs.

Surviving is his loving wife of nearly 53 years, B. Joanne (Knically) Thomas whom he married June 28, 1964; one son, William D. Thomas of Columbus, Ohio; two daughters, Carmen Ann (Charles) Morris of Westerville, Ohio and Kimberly Jo (Michael) Wagner of Woodsfield, Ohio; four grandchildren, Caleb and Colton Morris, Cheyenne and Caden Wagner; one sister, Rita Conn of Pataskala, Ohio; a sister in-law, Mary Thomas of Clayton, North Carolina and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Gerald Thomas; a sister Betty Dearstine and two brothers in-law, Donald Dearstine and Arthur Conn.

The Thomas family wishes to give a very special thank you to the staff of Genesis Hospital 4th Floor, North and to the staff of Genesis Morrison House for their loving care and support during Robert's stay.



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Calling hours will be 2 to 4pm and 6 to 8pm Sunday, March 12, 2017 at the Dresden Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home, 714 Main Street.

Funeral services will be 11:00am Monday, March 13, 2017 at the funeral home with Pastor Mark Thomas and Pastor Carolyn Smith officiating. Burial will be in Prospect Cemetery near Dresden.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bethel United Methodist Church, 10015 Bethel Road, Norwich, Ohio 43767.



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SJ

**Sheila Johnson** posted:

JOANNE & FAMILY CONTINUING TO PRAY FOR GOD TO GIVE U ALL DAILY STRENGTH REMEMBERING ALL THE FELLOWSHIPS TOGETHER THROUGH THE YEARS I COULDN'T MAKE MYSELF COME TO THE SERVICE CHOOSING TO REMEMBER BOB AS HE WAS HE IS GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN GOD BLESS & COMFORT U ALL EACH DAY!!!

March 22 at 8:38 PM

SD

**Sandy & Roy Dewdney** posted:

Joanne, Please accept our deepest sympathies. Sandy & Roy

March 12 at 3:43 AM

RE

**Richard And Linda Ellinger** posted:

Dear Joanne, Carmen, Kim and Bill, So sorry to hear of the passing of your husband and father. He will be missed by many. Sincerely, Richard and Linda Ellinger

March 11 at 12:38 PM

JN

**John And Teresa Neff** posted:

Sorry to hear of Bob's passing but celebrating his godly life and his entrance into the loving arms of Jesus.

March 11 at 11:43 AM

CB

**Carole Blackstone** posted:

Joanne and family- Sorry to hear of your loss. Thinking of you all. David and Carole Blackstone

March 11 at 4:40 AM

DP

**Diana Long-Pentony** posted:

My condolence's to the family. Thoughts & prayers to all of you during this time.

March 11 at 2:42 AM



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LB

**Lynette Burris** posted:

Dear Joanne, Bill, Carmen, Kim and extended family. Your dear husband/father is a cherished Bethel family member. I have so many fond memories of seeing him at church and being the recipient of kind words and Godly messages. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Cherish the memories you have and be assured that Bob was welcomed into heaven with open arms. God is always with you. Love and peace to you, Lynette, Jeff, Eli & Zane Burris

March 10 at 3:50 PM

AB

**Amy Barnes** posted:

Bill Thomas and Family I am so sorry for your loss, My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

March 10 at 3:49 PM

MB

**Monika Bryan** posted:

Kim Thomas and family Your dad was an awesome man. He will be dearly missed. Keeping you and your family in my prayers.

March 10 at 12:26 PM

ST

**Shirley Touvell** posted:

Sorry for your loss prayers for you and your family may he rest in peace.

March 10 at 11:24 AM

BR

**Bonnie Echelberry Roberts** posted:

What a wonderful man! A man of God..so sorry for your loss many prayers..

March 10 at 10:46 AM



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