



Rita "Janice" Thomas

June 9, 1937 - October 15, 2025

Rita 'Janice' Thomas, 88, of Louisville, Kentucky, passed away peacefully on October 15, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. Born on June 9, 1937, to Edmund and Estelle Rapp, Janice lived a life filled with faith, love, and devotion to those she cherished most.

Janice was a woman of strength, grace, and endless compassion. She found joy in life's simple blessings and was happiest when surrounded by her family. Her gentle spirit and kind heart touched everyone who knew her. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend — always the first to lend a hand, offer a prayer, or share a warm smile.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband, Eugene B. Thomas Sr.; infant daughter Ann Marie and her siblings Norma Rapp Raydon, Eddie Rapp, and Larry Rapp.

Janice's legacy of love continues through her children: Eugene B. Thomas Jr. (Gail), Charles M. Thomas (Cindy), John B. Thomas (Kimberly), Rita E. Thomas (Kevin), and Anthony J. Thomas (Michelle); her treasured grandchildren Chas Thomas, Corey Thomas, Ashley Thomas, Kevin Dreisbach, Tyler Dreisbach, Carlie Jones, Abbie Thomas, and Jacob Thomas; 7 great grandchildren and her siblings Collista Jakoby, Claudette Ruckriegel, Bob Rapp and Donna Koch; and a host of extended family and dear friends who will miss her deeply.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 22nd from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Owen Funeral Home – Jeffersontown, 9318 Taylorsville Road.

The Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday, October 23rd at 10:00 AM at St. Edward Catholic Church, followed by burial in St. Edward Cemetery. Janice's memory will forever remain a light in the hearts of those who loved her.

Cemetery Details

St. Edward Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Jeffersontown
9318 Taylorsville Road
Louisville, KY 40299
(502) 266-9655
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

OCT **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Edward Catholic Church
9608 Sue Helen Drive
Louisville, KY 40299

Tribute Wall

RN

“ Reda N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.

Reda N. - October 22, 2025 at 12:02 PM

TT

“ The Humana Aviation Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.

The Humana Aviation Team - October 22, 2025 at 08:21 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



October 22, 2025 at 08:21 AM

LB

“ Love, The Boatrights planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.

Love, The Boatrights - October 21, 2025 at 09:07 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.*



October 21, 2025 at 09:07 PM



“ *Brenda D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.*

Brenda D. - October 21, 2025 at 07:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.*



October 21, 2025 at 06:28 PM



“ *Scott, Katie, Kaitlyn, Karen, Doug, & Jincey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.*

Scott, Katie, Kaitlyn, Karen, Doug, & Jincey - October 21, 2025 at 12:57 PM

SJ

“ Scott, Katie, Kaitlyn, Karen, Doug, & Jincey purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



Scott, Katie, Kaitlyn, Karen, Doug, & Jincey - October 21, 2025 at 12:57 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



October 21, 2025 at 11:14 AM

FF

“ From Rita's Morning Pointe Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



From Rita's Morning Pointe Family - October 20, 2025 at 10:38 AM

EA

“ Ed & Elaine Arrington purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



Ed & Elaine Arrington - October 19, 2025 at 04:46 PM

TT

“ Troy & Kim Tyler purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



Troy & Kim Tyler - October 18, 2025 at 11:22 AM

ML

“ Matthew, Rebecca, Kenneth and Lucia purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Rita "Janice" Thomas.



Matthew, Rebecca, Kenneth and Lucia - October 18, 2025 at 08:38 AM

MF

“ Mary F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita "Janice" Thomas.

Mary F. - October 17, 2025 at 09:22 PM