



Thelma W. Church

September 30, 1934 - October 24, 2025

Thelma W. Church, 91, passed away on October 24, 2025, in Louisville, Kentucky. She was born on September 30, 1934, in Cub Run, Kentucky, to Nora and Essie Waddle, her late parents.

Thelma was a kind-hearted, caring, and compassionate woman. She was a beloved fixture in her neighborhood—always with the garage door open, greeting everyone who passed by with warmth, impeccably dressed, and never missing her weekly hair appointment. She enjoyed cooking meals, especially frying chicken, where she would put even Colonel Sanders to shame. In her free time, she would travel to local parks and share meals with her husband and their friends. Above all, she was a loving wife, momma to her dogs, and devoted friend.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband of 69 years, Allen Church, and her friends, Pameline and David Taylor, as well as Rayburn Jarred Jr.

Thelma is preceded in death by her parents and five siblings.

Her funeral visitation and service will be held at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Hwy., on Monday, November 3, 2025. The visitation will be from 11:00-1:00 PM, and the funeral service will begin at 1:00PM. The burial will take place at Louisville Memorial Gardens West following the funeral.

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (est)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

NOV 3. 1:00 PM (est)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *A wonderful neighbor. I've enjoyed many chats with her and Allen over the last 15-20 years on my near daily walks. When the garage door was up, I looked for them to be sitting near. Often in this last year, I could see her in window and she would wave. They seemed to always enjoy my labs- Cosmo, then Cayla and now Chloe. I will miss her sweet smile and kindness.*

Pam Greer-Ullrich - October 29, 2025 at 07:05 PM

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“ *Thank you for all the Love & Hugs you gave to me, they meant more than you would ever know. I will miss you so very much & that sweet smile. RIP Sweet Angel until I see you in Heaven! Love Sherri*

Sherri Butler - October 29, 2025 at 06:26 PM