



# Herbert Eugene Thomas

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**H**erbert Eugene Thomas, age 84, of Mystic Iowa died Monday evening, January 28, 2013 at Golden Age Skilled Nursing and Rehab Center, Centerville, Iowa. Herbert was born October 11, 1928 the son of Steve E. Thomas Sr. and Golda Marie (Davis) in Hammond, Indiana. He was united in marriage with Lois Catherine Bills, his loving and dedicated wife of 58 years on July 10, 1954 in Centerville, Iowa. Herbert was a cement finisher by trade. He received his training at Hammond Indiana Trade School. Herbert was a union man Local #21 and a math wizard. Herbert also owned and operated his own Hearing Aid service as an Audiologist in Mesa, AZ from 1968 to 1978. Herbert moved his family to Mystic in 1978 and returned to finishing concrete and supervised the concrete work for the Chilicothe power plant. Herbert donated his concrete skills to the betterment of Mystic by pouring and finishing the concrete at the Mystic City Park and the Mystic Fire Department building. In his early years Herbert enjoyed camping, fishing, spending time with his family, dancing, music, working on his farm, and tinkering in his garage. Herbert's grandchildren and great-grandchildren meant the world to him. Herbert was preceded in death by his parents; sister Barbara Miller; brothers Don Thomas, Steve Thomas Jr., and Roy Wayne Thomas. Herbert was the father of Barbara E. Milburn (husband Ronnie) of Rathbun, Debra Jane Walker (boyfriend Joel) of Rathbun, Herbert Thomas Jr. (girlfriend Carla) of Mystic, Carol Marie Parker of Mystic. Grandchildren: Sarah Anderson (Chris), Heather Brown (Jason), Jennifer Thomas (Eric), Rusty Clark, Jesse Thomas (Krystal), and Maggie Walker (Clint). Great Grandchildren: Brianna, Kaylee, Alexis, Jackson, Jada, Triton, Rennie, Jersie, Haylee and Kabella. Herbert also had Sisters-in law, Brothers-in-law, and many nieces and nephews that he loved. There will be a Celebration of Life Service at 2pm, Sunday February 10th, 2013 at Lange Funeral Home & Crematory, Centerville. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of Herbert Thomas to



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the Alzheimer's Association, donations may be mailed to or left at Lange Funeral Home & Crematory, 1900 South 18th St. Centerville, Iowa 52544.

Celebration of Life

February 10, 2013 2:00 PM

Lange Funeral Home 1900 S. 18th St. Centerville, IA (641) 856-2000



## Tribute Wall

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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 12:01 PM



**Thomas Funeral Home** shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 12:26 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY FATHER Herbet Thomas I was recently informed of my Dad's passing by an old friend of mine. Although miles seperated us and I wasn't able to spend as much time as I would have liked, he was very important to me. He was in my thoughts often and I loved him very much. He will be dearly missed. I have so many fond memories of him and our time together. I am his oldest Child from his first marriage. We worked several jobs together in as many places and I have learned many things from my Father. Some about work, but most about life and how people should be treated. Herb Thomas was a man of his word and due to his influence, so am I. He taught me loyalty, trust, and the importance of both. He taught me the importance of a hard days work and that there is no shame in a job well done. I may have been a bit of a handful in my youth, but I am a descent man because of my Father's influence. Herb was a jolly man who loved to laugh. It was impossible to keep a straight face in his presence. There was always a good timeto be had when Herb was around. This is how I choose to remember my Dad, drinking a beer, telling stories and laughing till our sides hurt. This is also my families memory of him. Lots of fun and laughter. My wife Loretta, and I were married in his home in 1980, a few years later he lived with us in our home in Texas. We have many fond memories of these times as well. My Family loved my Father very much and he will hold a very special place in all our hearts. He was truly a special man. David Thomas & Loretta Thomas Genna, Jimmy, and Dylan Dylan's new baby girl, Robin. Who Herb was not able to meet. You will be missed Dad Posted by David Thomas - Pampa, TX - SON February 15, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So sorry for everones loss hes gonna be missed dearly. theres no right words to say at a time like this to make you feel better so not gonna say anything except love you all an hang in there Posted by Kim Hatfield Walker February 04, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I am so sorry for you lost, He was a great guy. I loved taking care of him,while I was a cna. Posted by Jean Collins (Mrs. Harold Collins) - Centerville, IA - Friend January 31, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

our prayers and thoughts are with the family. may god bless. we are so sorry for your loss. Posted by roberta buban - centerville, IA - friend January 29, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



## Media

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