



EUGENE THOMAS

February 15, 1952 - July 28, 2014

Eugene Thomas, 62, passed away Monday, July 28, 2014.

He is survived by his wife, C. J. Fletcher-Thomas; mother, Mary Richardson; children, Devonda, Eugene Jr. (Sherrita), London (Fred), and Lonnie (Fred); siblings, Michael (Roz), Kenneth, and LaTonya; six grandchildren; and a host of extended family and friends.

Eugene lived a life of love, music, and art. He will be missed by so many dear friends who loved him dearly.

The family will receive visitors from 5 p.m. -7 p.m., Thursday, July 31, 2014 at A. D. Porter & Sons, 1300 W. Chestnut St.

Tribute Wall



LH

“ Eugene I deeply appreciate the love and understanding that you displayed in your art,so lovely and gracious. Each and every day my heart go out to you and your family as another wonderful person leave this world ,you have left your mark on the art industry you have left your mark on many people's hearts and you have allowed ones to be able to view the Love and Desire and the beauty that you so boldly displayed in your artwork,,yes another friend is gone but throughout your life you have left us a wonderful Legacy of beautiful and wonderful art, so now my friend I deeply appreciate you ,you will be sadly missed your friend and fellow artist Larry Humphrey Jr.

Larry HUMPHREY - June 13, 2018 at 05:24 PM



DF

“ We are so honored to have Eugene's work in our home. He will always have a place in our hearts. We love you CJ.

Dana and Jay

Dana Ferguson - December 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Eugene I am missing you more now than ever while preparing for a tribute to artshow.

C - December 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I met Eugene at the lowest point in my life. Without knowing anything about me but our mutual passion for creating art, Eugene engaged me in a healing conversation and immediately became a friend. Eugene was one of those few unforgettable people's you meet in the course of a lifetime. Eugene and I spent very few days together but his presence and influence on my life will always be with me. He was a great artist, but that was only a small part of what he meant to me. The world was a better place because of Eugene Thomas. I'll miss my friend.

BarryG

Barry Morrison - November 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I am still missing my beloved husband. The pain of losing him just won't go away. Love you, Eugene. I pray you are resting well and enjoying the beautiful sights in Heaven.

C J Fletcher - September 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ CJ, I am saddened by the loss of your best friend and husband. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Toni Skiles - September 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To C. J.I have known Eugene, it seems all my life. He was an Inspiration to me on the Basketball Court and Off, as a young man. He was an Inspiration to me on the Canvas and Off, as an adult.It is my Prayer for you, that the Lord, who is the Giver of All Things Good, gives you strength through this and the times to come."And The Peace That Passes All Understanding Guard Your Heart And Mind, Through Christ Jesus"Philippians 4:7James "Jim" Williams

A friendAug - August 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ In passing we All shall leave Memories. But what Loving Memories you have painted on our hearts here on Earth. Now, Eugene "Picasso" finish thy work of Art in Heaven. Bravo Shalom!

Steve Thomas - August 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ we were truest first since first grade,from Brandeis ,Parkland Jr high, Central &victory park .I will always remember your smile when ever I saw you and the hug we would share.Even though we didn't see each other often when we did we would talk and laugh together.I was so proud of you;It breaks my heart to know I won't see that smile anymore,rest on my friend,you will always be in my heart.

Janet Williams - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Eugene's wonderful artwork adorns our home. We counted after hearing of his untimely death seven of his paintings and prints we own. So we adored the work and the man and his warm smile and personality. God be with you CJ and all who loved him. Earth has no sorrow heaven cannot heal.

James - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *My Condolences to the family.*

Arnona Robinson - August 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Dear CJ and family:My prayers are with you during your loss.Marge Phelps*

Marge Phelps - August 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Mrs. CJ Fletcher so sorry to hear of Mr. Eugene Thomas's passing the two of you were very helpful with an art gallery set up I hosted with Commonwealth Printing Co open house years ago Mr. Thomas was a wonderful spirited man. He will be missed. Prayers to you and your family.*

Bonita Shirley Williams - August 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *Our deepest sympathy to C J and family We remember Eugene as a wonderful person, family man, and superb artist. I shall miss his smile and conversation when I would visit my family who were his neighbors. May he rest in peace*

Ann and Hank Triplett - August 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Eugene was a childhood friend.We played ball together and although we had minimal contact as adults I will remember him as one of the best brothers I have met in this lifetime. God bless the family and give them peace.*

Lawrence Haralson - August 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Caroline, my heart goes out to you and the family in your time of sorrow. Times like these are hard, but remember that God is always in control, lean on Him.*

Connie Mitchell - August 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ *Mr. Michael Im sorry for your family's loss. Prayers for you!*

Norman Banks - August 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *I will always remember the good times we had as little boys at the Ormsby Boys Club. Prayers are extended to the family.*

John W - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ *Please know C.J and Family, that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Our hearts are full of compassion at this time of bereavement. We are only a call away from you Fletch our Friend. More Love!*

Rev - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *I know that there are smiles and laughter in Heaven with Eugene's transition.*

I know him to be a kind, gentle man. I saw some of his efforts to make this world a better place. This world is a better place because of him. I am so proud that some of his art hangs in my home.

CJ, my prayers are with you and the entire family.

Susan Robinson - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family Eugene.*

Donald Dulin - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ *I met Eugene at an art fair about 10 years ago and purchased a print of Weathering the Storm from him. I also purchased a print from CJ. Although I only met him that one time he was a delightful man. Prayers to CJ and the family.*

Laura T - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ *Eugene will be sorely missed. He was always full of life and when we would see each other, he would constantly encourage me to move forward.*

Vincent Woods - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *I'll remember the good times. To the family, you all are in my prayers.*

Rodney Moppins - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ *Entering Parkland Junior High School, I met one of the coolest dudes ... Eugene Thomas. I admired him from a distance and after getting to know him our spirits connected. Eugene was a very special Black Man ... and man could he talk, such a wise man. We will miss you my brother and your smile. The Willis families prayers our with The Thomas Family.*

Robert - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Uncle Eugene, I remember how you always took the time out to talk to my Son (Darius) about life, History, and you have to work hard to strive at things you want in life. Eugene you can rest assure that your Legacy will continue to grow inside All of Us. Dear God, Please continue to embrace Uncle Eugene in Heaven like you did Earth. You will be truly missed. Love Always, Renee' and Darius

Renee - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ EUGENE THOMAS

Renee Johnson Jul - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ So sorry of Genes passing he will be missed by all who knew him and his work. It was an honor to have known this talented gentleman our prayers to his family

Celentano - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Maya Angelou once said, “Life loves the liver of it!” Eugene certainly “lived” and “loved” life! Our prayers are with you and your family during this most difficult time. Take comfort in knowing that Eugene is in a better place where pain and suffering gives way to a blank canvas of joy and endless sunshine; a destination we ALL are striving for! Walter & Kathy Munday

A friendJul - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Dorace and I are in Maine to scatter Otis' ashes. The scattering took on extra meaning after the call from Gwen on Monday to tell us about Eugene. We both loved Eugene, his kindness, his smile, and his work. Sorry we are not in town to pay our respects, C.J. Take care, Jane and Dorace Peters

A friend Jul - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ To the Thomas family, May the Lord be with you in this time of Sorrow. Stay strong and you have our deepest Sympathy. The Stallard Family.

Garry L - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ sorry for your lost good man known for fifty year be strong

Billy Caffey - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ UNCLE GENEREST IN PEACENICKY, KRIS, DJ, MORGAN, ROBBY, CANAAN, NIYA, MIYA, LYRIC, TOMMY, MYLES. PAPA WE SAD YOU LOST ONE OF YOUR BROTHERS

NIYA SIMONE THOMAS - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ The LORD is Eugene's Shepherd. Eugene shall not want. The LORD maketh Eugene to lie down in green pastures; The LORD led Eugene beside the still waters. The LORD restored Eugene's soul; The LORD led Eugene in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though Eugene walked through the valley of the shadow of death, Eugene feared no evil, for The LORD was with Eugene, The LORD's Rod and The LORD's Staff they comforted Eugene. The Lord prepared a table before Eugene in the presence of Eugene's enemies, The LORD anointed Eugene's head with oil, Eugene's cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy followed Eugene all the days of his life, and now, Eugene dwells in the house of The LORD forever. Psalm 23: 1-6 This is God's Love to Eugene and all his family and friends. May the peace of God be with you all.

Mr - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ Cousin CJ I am so saddened by Cousin Eugene's passing. He was loved by all because of his beautiful spirit. He will be greatly missed and I am praying for you at this very difficult time. I love you.

Taryn Neal - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To my brother-in-law may beautiful memories of a life lived to it fullest linger and the shadow of pain be lessened each passing day. Love you Henry and Joycelyn Kinnaird

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ CJ, Words cannot express the sorrow we feel for you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Gregory Rahming, Kris Brady, and HB Brady

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ CJ, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless you. Teresa Fletcher

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ CJ & Family, My "Prayers" & thoughts have been with you during this difficult time. May GOD continue to comfort & bless you. PEACE be with you..... LOVE to you..... JOY comes in the morning.....

Elaine Styles - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ To the family, We are so sorry to hear of Eugene's passing. Will miss his smile and joyful mannerism. You are in our prayers. John 14:1-4 Michael & Connie King

Constance King - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ "A candle lit in heaven shines its brightest" Philippians 4:8 Think on the good and praise worthy memories that Eugene has left us all. Very sorry for your family and the world's lost.

Marvin Travis - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ To my brother in law Mike, Ms Maybelle, Lil Gene, Devonda and all the rest, my prayers are going up to God that he will see you through. He can, and He will, call on Him. I

Carolyn Johnson - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ CJ, There are no words to express the sorrow Winston and I feel for your loss. On so many occasions Eugene told us he celebrated every day of life because every day was a blessing. He lived it just as if it was a blessing. We send our love and prayers. Winston and Delanor

Delanor Manson - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Your smile, your talent, your personality will be truly missed. My # 1 brother in law. Asking Jesus to be in the midst during the families hour of need. We give you the glory, God.

Rosalind - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ An exceptional man, artist, neighbor, friend. How I will miss those sidewalk conversations. His spirit will continue to live on through his beautiful artistry, what a legacy! Love and prayers to CJ and family.

Nancy Cogan - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ We are deeply sadden about the passing of our friend and neighbor Eugene Thomas. He was such a great person and a great artist. We will forever remember the last time we were together during the Annual June Art Show at the home of Eugene Thomas & C J Fletcher. One who has lived never truly dies, but crosses a bridge into an eternal life as an ancestor. May it ease our sadness a bit to know that the memories of Eugene Thomas will be yet another bridge between our world and the world of our ancestors. May he rest in peace. May his ancestors receive him with open arms. Farewell friend.

Aukram - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ So sorry for your passing dear man. Your memory lives on in my memory, my heart and in my mind. I am fortunate to have pieces of your art in my home and in my office, but mostly I am fortunate to have the stories you told of how each of these pieces came from within you. See you later.

Gary - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ May the Peace of God be you and your family during this time of sorrowAddie and Steven Smallwood

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ We have learned not to question why GOD calls one of his angels home....however, we have truly been blessed with Eugene's presence in our lives and through his artwork prominently displayed in our home. May GOD continue to bless you and keep you CJ.Daniel & Sheila Hall

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ CJ and family I am very sorry to hear of Eugene's passing. Back in the early 80's we lived in the same building on 26th & Chestnut; me and my kids on the 1st floor; he lived on the second floor. He was a great friend and neighbor. We had some fun times. Years later I invited him to speak to the Arts Cluster at Black Achievers. He bought some of his autographed prints and gave them to the Achievers. I still have the one he gave my daughter. He will surely be missed.

Karen Edwards - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I just learned of Eugene's passing. I am so sorry. "The departed, whom we now remember, have entered into the peace of life eternal. They still live on earth in the acts of goodness they performed and in the hearts of those who cherish their memory. May the beauty of their life abide among us as a loving benediction, and may we say Amen."

Martin Kasdan Jr - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Carolyn, I am truly sorry about the loss in the family and to you. You can never have too many angels! Love, Nikki-poo

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Words that come to mind. My Brother. It does not seem real. I known you for 30 plus years. I will cherish our St. James years at Gwen's house together forever.It was my pleasure to be with gifted artist.CJ God in His times will Restore your brokenness.This old earth has NO sorrow, God will Heal. Bless you.Rev.Samuel & Regina Whitlow (Rawwhitty's Jewelry)

A friendJul - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Eugene was a fine artist and for those that don't remember or don't know he was a great basketball player as well as a great friend. Prayers and blessings to the family in your time of need.

James Beaver - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ To Mike Thomas and Family Sorry bout the loss of your brother. You in my familys prayers. We go way back

Sammy - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Life is for living! Eugene did that through his art...blessings

Linda Thomas - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ C J, I was so very sorry to hear that you have lost a soul mate, friend , and husband. My prayers go up for you and your family at this difficult time. Eugene was truly my "brother" - a wonderful soulful spirit that shall be missed from this community, but never forgotten. Let me know if I can help in any way at all. May God hold and keep you in His hands through yet another journey that will lead to peace and celebration of life.

Linda Thomas - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ CJ, I'm so sorry about Eugene's passing. He's certainly among God's Angels. Prayers and hugs to you.

Angie M - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ C.J. Let your heart be painted with loving memories of the man who won your heart. Let your tears flow because they clear your vision of understanding. God will give you Peace. Because he will always keep his word trust him. Peace and Love

HARLINA CHURN - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ We share the sadness of the loss of Eugene. He complimented you so well and had such an encouraging, uplifting personality.

Avie - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ We will miss his passionate and artistic spirit. Thank God his art lives on.

Jon Huffman - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Michael(Roz)prayers are with you earth has no sorrow that heaven can not heal!

Beverly Alexander - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ CJ. So sorry to hear about Eugene passing. My prayers are with you and your family.

Natonia McCravy - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ So sorry to hear CJ ..you guys "plowed the path" for me so many times, such a kind heart and such a creative mind, he will be missed.

Carlos Fish - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Eugene was a renowned artist, a great friend, a humanitarian, ready to help anyone at any time, but most of all, he was a loving husband. Every time he looked at CJ, you'd see and feel the love he had for her. My prayers and thoughts go out to CJ and her family.

Sally Jessel - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM