



## Jesse Thomas Jr.

September 4, 1946 - December 28, 2023

Jesse Thomas Jr. was born on September 4, 1946 to Jesse and Marina Thomas in Beaumont, Texas. After graduating from Charlton-Pollard in 1965. He stayed home and worked to allow his siblings the opportunity to go to college. Jesse later went on to study at Bishop College where he earned a BS in History. It was there where he pledged Alpha Phi Alpha and went over in Spring 1970. After graduating he started his first job as a probation officer with the City of Dallas kickstarting a long career of encouraging and motivating others.

Jesse spent most of his career in education. He worked as the Director of Admissions with Advanced Technical Institution (ATI) He believed in helping students get on track and completing their trades. He later worked at Everest College guiding hundreds of students into their future careers. Jesse was truly an entrepreneur. He also owned his own insurance business since 1973. He and his siblings Ron Thomas and Tillie Harris created 40 Plus Records where Jesse was the head of AR team.

Jesse was predeceased in death by his father Jesse Thomas Sr, Marina Thomas (mother) and brother-in-law Jim Harris. He is survived by his lovely wife Jeannetta Thomas of 38 years, his only child Kendra Tyler (Dyron), grandsons Royce West III and Ryan West, sister Tillie Harris, brother Ron Thomas, brother Geno Williams, nephew Randall Harris (Ernestine) and a

host of extended family members.

He will be remembered for all the love he shared with his family and friends.

Jesse truly loved each of them. If you knew him, you knew exactly how he felt.

He will be missed dearly by all.

# Previous Events

## **Alpha Phi Alpha Memorial Ceremony with Visitation to follow**

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

THE ROCK- Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church  
1020 South Sherman Street  
Richardson, TX 75081

## **Celebration of Life**

JAN 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MB

“ Our beautiful Jesse after a hard day at work here at Dillards. it was always a blessing to see you and your smile. You never missed a beat when it came to your beautiful wife, picking her up and showing her your support and love. Thank you for all the beautiful memories here with us at Dillards NorthPark you will be missed by everyone here may you find peace. Rest my friend. 🙏 Teresa

Mama Beltran-Gonzalez - January 04, 2024 at 01:44 PM

MD

Our Condolences and heartfelt love to beloved cousin Jesse Thomas who we grow to Love. He love his people and enjoys sparing story of family member during his time in Mamou LA and Beaumont TX remember that he was very proud to tell. Yes, Jesse truly loved each of them. He will be missed dearly by all. Thank God for Blessing us, until we met again.  
The Coritha Williams Dupre Family of Eunice LA

Mark Dupre - January 04, 2024 at 05:13 PM

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I met Jesse when I was very young he along with huge family joined our church St Paul Baptist Church in Port Arthur Texas. The families grew very close .Jesse and his family gave us one the most gifted choirs in the area .Passed presently every two weeks he would call me just to keep in touch with the Golden Triangle .I will always miss those calls .Rest in Heaven my brother your little brother always , "Polecat "

Don Collins - January 06, 2024 at 11:37 AM