



## Evelyn Roach Thorpe

February 4, 1928 - May 29, 2011

Evelyn Louise Roach Thorpe, 83, of Woodstock, Virginia, died Sunday, May 29, 2011 at the home of her daughter in Lancaster, Virginia. Mrs. Thorpe was born February 4, 1928 in Rupert, West Virginia, the second of fourteen children to the late James Gaston and Gladys Simmons Roach.

Mrs. Thorpe was a longtime employee of the Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D.C. Following retirement from NRL, she worked as a Prince William County bus aid for persons with physical and intellectual disabilities. In 1992 she moved to Woodstock, Virginia where she worked for Kibler Furniture Company.

She is survived by her husband Powell Thorpe, Woodstock, her four children, Mary L. Madson and husband Gary; Betty Deborah Reid, Broadway, Virginia; Constance A. Ramsey, Woodstock; Elbert Jay Ramsey and wife, The Reverend M. Theresa Ramsey, Stafford, Virginia; six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. She is also survived by four brothers: Dorhal D. Roach, Bartow, West Virginia; Kenneth Roach, Woodbridge, Virginia; Steve Roach, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; and, Eric Roach, Woodbridge, Virginia.

Mrs. Thorpe was preceded in death by five sisters, June Tuck, Phyllis Cuckler, Ellen Thompson, Bonnie Leete, Gail Harper and four brothers: Garland, Randolph, Lance, and Don Roach.

Visitation will be held \_6:00-9:00 P.M. Friday, June 3, 2011 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia where services will be held 12:30 P.M. Saturday, June 4, 2011 with Rev. Dwayne Brewster officiating. Interment will follow at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas, Virginia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Association for Retarded Citizens, 13505 Hillendale Drive, Woodbridge or to Hospice of Virginia, P.O. Box 2099, Tappahannock, Virginia 22560.

Condolences may be sent to [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com).

# Tribute Wall

FT

“ We love you Mama...our hearts are heavy with your passing. You have touched our lives in so many wonder-filled ways, you will never be forgotten. It was our honor to have you in our home and to care for you when you needed us most.  
We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck...  
Until we meet again...

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**Flake and Theresa** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

SL

“ It was always a comfort knowing you were there, even far away.  
We'll miss you so much.

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**Shirley Martha Leete** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss. I knew Evelyn when I was young. She worked with my mom at NRL. Thoughts and Prayers are with you all. Take Care.

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**Janice Whetzel** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

RB

“ We have lost a dear and cherished member of our family, my dear sister-in-law and longtime friend.FOREVER IN MY HEART!Love to all of you!

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**Rhonda Brooks** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

BB

“ Aunt Evelyn you were more than my Aunt, you were a second mother to me and a best friend. I can not begin to say how much I love you and how much I will miss you. I am so thankful for the times I got to stop and visit you when I was traveling, just to spend an hour and talk and let the kiddos spend some time with you. Those stolen hours are priceless. You have always been there for "DD's" kids and we have appreciated all you did for us over the years.

*I am sad that you have left us but know you are in a better place where you are happy and healthy and visiting with all of those that you have missed for so long.*

*My love for you is forever and you will always be in my heart filling it with happy memories.*

*Thank you for being such a wonderful influence in my life, you will always be my angel.*

*I Love You!*

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**Beth, Zachary and Anna Baylor** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

TN

“ Oh, where do I start.....Evelyn you are my most favorite aunt of all times. We never left your house without at least a "tootsie pop" in hand. Us kids always looked forward to our Virginia summer vacations when we got to come stay with you. I remember the time vividly that you saved my life at Kings Dominion when I tried to jump from the Scooby Doo rollercoaster because it was scaring me to death. You held me tight clear to the end. You will always have a very special place in my heart. I will love you forever and always!

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**Tina Nicely** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

MM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

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**Monica M.** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

LE

“ *So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Laura Evick** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

BR

“ *You left for your journey on Sunday. Traveling through time and through space. Now you're sitting on some cloud up in Heaven, while the Sun shines brightly on your beautiful face.*

*Tonight I'll look out my window, and search for you from afar. To see if I can see you sliding down a Moonbeam, or swinging on some distant star.*

*I will think of you every day for the rest of my life. I was lucky to have you for 61 years, and I will hold all those memories deep in my heart. I love you Mamma. I love you little and I love you big. I love you like a little Pig!*

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**Betty "Deborah" Ramsey Reid** - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM



“ *I would like to express my deepest sympathies to the family of Mrs. Thorpe. While I never met her... I know her granddaughters.. Crystal and Candy and her great grandchildren.. Julia, Jesse and Troy... They are all loving and wonderful people. This can only be a reflection of her love for them. Thinking of all of you at this time.*  
*With Love,*

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May 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM