



## Elsie B Thomas

December 15, 1925 - June 29, 2021

Elsie Beach Thomas of Tinton Falls NJ passed away peacefully on June 29, 2021. Elsie was born on December 15, 1925 in Erie PA and was the only child of William and Ruth (Anderson) Beach. She spent her early childhood in Youngstown OH and then moved to Erie PA. After graduating high school, she was accepted into nurses training with the Army Air Force, with the goal to be a flight nurse, caring for service men, injured in World War 2.

However the war ended and she continued her nursing career in Philadelphia and New Jersey. While in Philadelphia, she met the love of her life, and on September 30, 1950 she married Joseph C. Thomas of Philadelphia. They moved to New Jersey where they raised their 4 children. They were married for 63 years until Joseph's passing in 2013.

Elsie is survived by her son Joseph and his wife Jackie (Flick); daughter Linda and her husband John Ridenour; grandchildren Melissa, Daniel and his wife Brooke, Courtney, and Joli, and one great grandson, Jack Henry, son of Melissa; daughter Susan, and her husband David Tumillo; and grandson Joseph. Her son, Gary passed away in 2010 but she is survived by his wife Beth Duggan and her husband Martin; and granddaughters, Heather and Kelly Thomas.

A memorial visitation will be held on Wednesday July 7, 2021 from 3 to 5 pm with a service towards the end, at Bongarzone Funeral Home in Tinton Falls, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to St. Judes Children's Research Hospital. For online condolences, please visit Elsie's memorial page at [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com)

## Cemetery Details

All other services are private

## Previous Events

### Memorial Visitation

JUL 7. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712  
(732) 918-6200

# Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Elsie B Thomas.* ”



July 06, 2021 at 04:15 PM



“ *Kathy Keers and Jonathan Nolde purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Elsie B Thomas.* ”



**Kathy Keers and Jonathan Nolde** - July 05, 2021 at 09:35 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Elsie B Thomas.* ”



July 04, 2021 at 07:45 PM



“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Elsie B Thomas* ”



**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - July 01, 2021 at 09:19 AM