



## Stella Collis Thrift

June 24, 1964 - June 13, 2025

Stella Collis Thrift, a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, passed away surrounded by family. She was a lifelong resident of Eatonton, Georgia, where she built a warm and beautiful home full of love, laughter, and countless memories. Funeral service will be held 11:00 Am Saturday June 21, 2025 at Lone Oak Baptist Church. The family will receive friends Friday evening, June 20, 2025 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Williams Funeral Home of Eatonton. Stella had a true passion for interior design and flowers, pouring her heart into creating spaces that brought comfort and beauty to those around her. Her home was a reflection of her — welcoming, thoughtful, and full of life. But more than anything, Stella was devoted to her family. She was the heart that held everyone together, always making sure no one ever felt alone.

She is survived by her loving husband, Huelon “Bubba” Thrift, and their kids: Trey (Crystal) Thrift, Donald (Lauren) Thrift, Vincent (Holly) Thrift, and Stoshia (Caleb) Austin. She was affectionately known as “Mama T” to her grandchildren: Alexis, Collis, Mea, Clyde, Vincent Jr., Kamille, Canaan, Huelon, Stella, Layla, and Dallas — each carrying forward her spirit with every smile and warm hug. Stella is also survived by her brother, Jimmy “Julie” Collis, and her niece, Mary Collis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Mary Collis, and her brother, Gene Collis.

Her legacy is one of love, strength, and togetherness. Stella’s memory will live on in the lives of those she touched and the family she so deeply cherished.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **20**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home - Eatonton  
306 N. Jefferson Ave.  
Eatonton, GA 31024  
(706) 485-3303  
eatonton@williamsfuneralhome.net  
<https://www.williamsfheatonton.net>

## Funeral Service

JUN **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Lone Oak Baptist Church  
976 Greensboro Road  
Eatonton, GA 31024

# Tribute Wall

MR

“ *A loyal friend, a pure soul...*

Mark Rotter - June 21, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Stella Collis Thrift.*



June 21, 2025 at 01:25 PM

DR

“ *Praying for this family. When we were growing up I spent many weekends at her house with family. I never will forget her Mom asking me if I wanted sugar on my grits. So many childhood memories. Praying for all of you today .*

Donna Roberts - June 21, 2025 at 10:33 AM

AM

“ *My deepest Condolences to the family i worked with Stella years ago at Putnam Co Sheriffs Department we had great memories .May she rest in Peace. Your Friend Anitha Moon*



Anitha Moon - June 20, 2025 at 02:56 PM

MJ

“ My heartfelt Condolences for your loss. May God grant you patience and relieve your heart. and again, sorry for your loss.

Manny Cespedes jr - June 20, 2025 at 11:15 AM

BH

“ Stella Thrift always so cheerful and welcoming. "I offer my deepest sympathies." May pray and faith keep the family strong.

Berle I Hurt

Berle I Hurt - June 20, 2025 at 11:02 AM

CS

“ Every time I saw her she was smiling. Such a nice person.

Chuck Stiles - June 18, 2025 at 07:32 PM

CH

“ One of the sweetest woman you could ever meet. 🙏

Curtis Jermain Harvin - June 18, 2025 at 03:19 PM

SH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Sherry Harris - June 18, 2025 at 02:20 PM

CK

“ Many prayers going up for this wonderful family. All of Mrs. thrift's children's are outstanding examples of her love, leadership, and compassion. I am so thankful for their impact on my life.

Chad Kinsey - June 18, 2025 at 02:11 PM

CT

“ Sorry for your loss!



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**Camille Thomas** - June 18, 2025 at 11:45 AM

RW

“ *Stella Thrift — a teammate, a leader, and a true friend. As a fellow Teamster, she stood firm in her values, led with strength, and carried a heart full of kindness. Stella was the rare kind of soul who could be tough as nails and yet sweet as sunshine. Her presence made the job lighter, and her spirit will never be forgotten. Rest in power, Stella. You made a lasting mark on all of us. 💔*

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**Robert Walker** - June 18, 2025 at 11:14 AM

DS

“ *I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your wife my friend. I have thought about you throughout the many years since our working days at Meadows.  
You and your family are in my prayers.  
May the Lord bless and comfort you all.*

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**David Smith** - June 17, 2025 at 08:42 AM

IT

*Bubba and to the family... I love and pray for each one of you . Stella was a very unique person and loved by many. I loved her, she was a great sister-in-law. She loved my brother with all her heart. We had some great times together! When your drink was empty she bought you another, whether you wanted it or not. Lord, it's so hard to believe she's with the Lord. God Bless you all! Aunt Irva loves you!*

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**Irva Thrift** - June 18, 2025 at 05:38 PM

DD

“ Tony and I are so sad to hear this news. Our hearts are with the entire family.

*Donna and Tony Drago*

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**Donna and Tony Drago** - June 16, 2025 at 09:38 PM

AC

“ Sending lots of love and prayers for the family. Loved Stella so much I can remember when she was born , I can still see her riding her tricycle at their house in Decatur , lots of happy memories Love you all .John and I send our deepest condolences 🌸



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**Angela Clayden** - June 16, 2025 at 08:12 PM

BM

“ Praying for all the family. Especially those babies she loved her grandkids. Such a sweet lady. I know all the Thifts personally through school so that's all long time. Mea Love I'm praying for y'all comfort.

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**Barbara Monday** - June 16, 2025 at 06:58 PM

LR

“ I'm so sorry to know this. Stella was a great friend my thoughts and prayers are with Bubba and entire family ❤️🙏🙏🙏

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**Linda Radney** - June 16, 2025 at 01:53 PM

PV

“ *My heartfelt condolences to your family.  
May your memories bring you comfort.  
May your faith bring you peace.*



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**Pamela Verbel** - June 16, 2025 at 01:04 PM