



## U.S. Air Force Retired, Ted W. Thompson

October 10, 1959 - May 2, 2014

United States Air Force Retired, Ted W. Thompson, age 54, of Calhoun departed this life Friday evening, May 2, 2014 at his home, surrounded by his loving family after a long and courageous fight with cancer.

He was born in Gordon County on October 10, 1959, son of Jerry and Elaine Sims Thompson. He was a 1977 graduate of Red Bud High School.

After attending Dalton College, Ted entered the US Air Force, enlisting in 1983 and retiring after 20 years of service. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, and all sports, in particular golf. He enjoyed spending time with his family, whom he loved dearly. He was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Silas and Dimple Thompson and Raymond and Winnie Sims.

During Ted's Air Force career, he received the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Metal, Air Force Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Achievement Medal with Three Oak Leaf Clusters, AF Outstanding Unit Award, AF Organizational Excellence Award with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal with Four Oak Leaf Clusters, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, Humanitarian Service Medal with Bronze Star, AF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon, AF Overseas Long Tour Ribbon, AF Longevity Service Award Ribbon with Three

Oak Leaf Clusters, NCO Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon with One Oak Leaf Cluster, and the AF Training Ribbon.

Ted is survived by his loving wife, Carrie French Thompson, to whom he married December 27, 2008; his caring and loving parents, Jerry and Elaine Sims Thompson of Resaca; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jimmy and Ova Lee French of Red Bud; and several brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A service to celebrate the life of Ted W. Thompson will be held Tuesday, May 6th at 2:00 PM from the Maple Grove Baptist Church, with Rev. Herman Parker and Rev. Eddie Brannon officiating, and Phil French conducting the graveside rites. Full military honors will be performed by the United States Air Force Honor Guard.

It was Ted's request that flowers be omitted. The family asked that contributions be made to the American Cancer Society's "Hope Lodge", 1104 Ireland Way, Birmingham, AL, 35205 in Ted's memory. The family also would like to thank Harbin Clinic, UAB Hospital, Floyd Medical Center, Gordon County Hospital, Tapestry Hospice and "Care at Home" for their wonderful care.

The family will receive friends Monday, May 5th between the hours of 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM at Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.maxbrannonandsons.com](http://www.maxbrannonandsons.com). The funeral services for Mr. Ted Willard Thompson are under the direction of Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home of Calhoun.

# Cemetery Details

## Maple Grove Baptist Church

Maple Grove Church Road  
Chatsworth, GA 30705

# Previous Events

## Family will receive friends

MAY 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home  
705 Old Red Bud Road  
P.O. Box 1027  
Calhoun, GA 30701  
(706) 629-4508  
eddiebrannon@comcast.net  
<https://www.maxbrannonandsons.com/>

## Celebration of Life

MAY 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Maple Grove Baptist Church  
Maple Grove Church Road  
Chatsworth, GA 30705

# Tribute Wall

CT

“ On behalf of Ted's parents and myself, I genuinely want to thank all of the many people who showed their outpouring of love through heartfelt prayers, cards, telephone calls, emails, texts, flowers, food, and the many loving hugs at the hospital, our home, the viewing and the funeral. Many gifts in Ted's memory have been made to the Joe Lee Griffin Hope Lodge at UAB, to Maple Grove Cemetery Fund, and to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Fund. Words can't touch the depth of our genuine gratitude to everyone for their many kindnesses. We miss Ted deeply, but we know he is no longer suffering and we know he is with our Heavenly Father in his eternal home. Carrie Thompson, wife

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**Carrie French Thompson** - May 30, 2014 at 04:23 PM

MB

“ Carrie, i am sorry you had to let your Ted go, you are in my prayers. Marie Burchett



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**marie burchett** - May 17, 2014 at 11:28 AM

RC

“ Carrie, Elaine and family  
My condolences to your family. I just found out about Ted's passing. Life is so short, but keep your memories close to your heart. I remember how happy Carrie and Ted were. A parent should have to bury a child, the child should be the one bury the parents. May God be with you in the days ahead. Love you, Rita Chadwick Cigainero

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**Rita Chadwick Cigainero** - May 16, 2014 at 10:12 AM

EC

“ I had no idea he had been sick. So very, very sorry to hear this. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers. Praying that the Good Lord wraps his loving arms around you and holds you tight during this difficult time.

Love you all,  
Ellen

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**Ellen Ray Chappuis** - May 06, 2014 at 09:15 AM

CL

“ Cindy Long lit a candle in memory of U.S. Air Force Retired, Ted W. Thompson



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**Cindy Long** - May 06, 2014 at 12:52 AM

DT

“ So sorry for your loss- you were together for such a cherished short time. No one really knows your pain or grief but God does and we will keep you and your family in our prayers. Here for you if you need an ear to listen to or a shoulder to cry on

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**David and Sandi Townsend** - May 05, 2014 at 07:52 PM

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**David and Sandi Townsend** - May 05, 2014 at 07:52 PM

FP

“ *CARRIE, JERRY, and ELAINE we are sorry to hear about your loss. Our prayers are with you.*

*FRANCES PATTERSON POOLE*

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**Frances Patterson Poole** - May 05, 2014 at 06:43 PM

AS

“ *Carrie, We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Mildred, Ty, and Alison Smith*

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**Alison Smith** - May 05, 2014 at 03:57 PM

JM

“ *Jerry Mc lit a candle in memory of U.S. Air Force Retired, Ted W. Thompson*



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**jerry mc** - May 05, 2014 at 08:06 AM

EB

“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you!*



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**Ellney Beem** - May 04, 2014 at 10:55 AM

LP

“ Carrie we are so sorry for your loss. You have been in our thoughts and prayers!



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**Larry and Paula** - May 04, 2014 at 07:24 AM

DJ

“ Dondra And Joey Jordon lit a candle in memory of U.S. Air Force Retired, Ted W. Thompson



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**Dondra and Joey Jordon** - May 03, 2014 at 10:46 PM

BK

*Carrie I am so sorry for your lose.I love you*

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**betty kelley** - May 05, 2014 at 10:36 AM