



Mattie "Mama" Kate Thigpen

April 12, 1934 - November 19, 2025

Hepzibah, GA – “Mama” Kate Thigpen, 91, wife of the late Macon Thigpen, entered into rest peacefully on Wednesday, November 19, 2025.

Funeral services will be held at Bible Deliverance Temple on Monday, November 24, 2025, at 1:00 PM.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, November 23, 2025, from 4:00–6:00 PM at Chance & Hydrick Funeral Home.

Born in White Plains, GA, Ms. Thigpen was the daughter of the late Pete Marchman and the late Mattie Carr Marchman.

Kate lived a life filled with music, faith, and love. For more than 50 years, she traveled and sang gospel music, sharing her powerful voice and her heart for the Lord with churches and communities near and far. Singing was her passion, her ministry, and the way she touched countless lives. Those blessed to hear her sing will never forget the warmth, sincerity, and spirit she carried in every song.

She is preceded in death by her parents, siblings, and her beloved husband, Macon Thigpen.

Above all, Kate cherished her family. She is survived by her children, Stephen Patrick Johnson (Jackie), William Dalton Johnson, and Shelby J. Washington (Keith), her grandchildren, Ryan Washington, Kaylin Gregory (Joshua G), Gena Tripp (Joshua T), Amanda Kenney (Jacob), and Abigail Johnson; and six precious great-grandchildren, each of whom brought her immense joy.

Kate will be remembered for her kindness, her unwavering faith, and the love

she shared so freely. Her life was a beautiful melody—one filled with grace, strength, and devotion—and her song will continue in the hearts of those she loved.

Serving as pallbearers are Joshua Tripp, Braden Tripp, Joshua Gregory, Joshua Gregory Jr., Bo Fanning, Devin Nations, Corey Cobine.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Bible Deliverance Temple.

1857 Fenwick St. Augusta, GA 30904

Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors, 2502 Richmond Hill Road, Augusta, GA, 30906.

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Previous Events

Receive Friends

NOV **23**. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

NOV **24**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bible Deliverance Temple
1857 Fenwick Street
Augusta, GA 30904

Tribute Wall



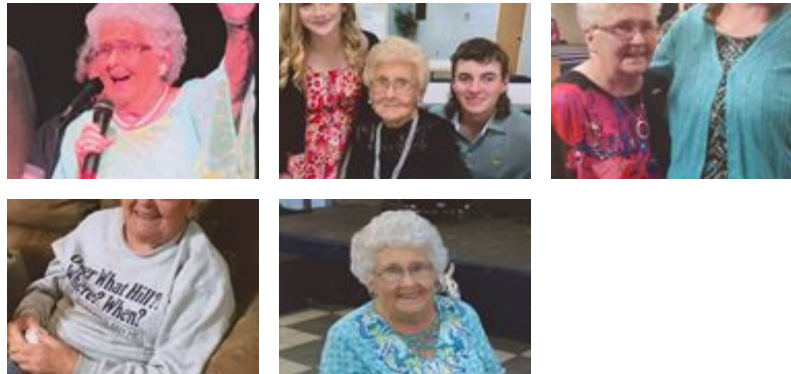
“ *Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Mattie "Mama" Kate Thigpen*



Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - November 22, 2025 at 01:06 PM



“ *69 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - November 22, 2025 at 12:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mattie "Mama" Kate Thigpen.*



November 22, 2025 at 12:27 PM

JT

“ Jay and Tonja planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mattie "Mama" Kate Thigpen.

Jay and Tonja - November 22, 2025 at 12:27 PM

DH

“ David Holton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie "Mama" Kate Thigpen



David Holton - November 21, 2025 at 10:54 PM

DH

Mama Kate was a special Lady. She was so loving . I called her Mama & She called me her adopted Grandson. I loved her singing. Her voice was so strong. She loved singing about Jesus Christ & what he did for her in her life. Heaven just got a lot brighter & a new voice in the Choir. Go Rest High On That Mountain Mama Kate. Your work down here is done. Go To Heaven a shouting. I'm going to miss U. Love Ya Mama Kate. ❤️🙏❤️

David Holton - November 21, 2025 at 11:27 PM

MF

Many great memories of Mama Kate. She loved to sing and praise God. Prayers for Steve , Bill and Shelby and all her family and friends!!!

Mike Faglier - November 22, 2025 at 08:06 AM