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Under Suspension

RESOLUTION 2021-37

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
GERALD DEXTER THOMAS**



WHEREAS, longtime Oakwood Village resident, Gerald Dexter Thomas, went home to be with the Lord May 25, 2021 at the young age of 66; and

WHEREAS, Gerald was born September 9, 1954 to the late Moses and Alice (Kee) Thomas in Cleveland, Ohio as the second of three sons born to the union; and

WHEREAS, after graduating with the 1972 class of John F. Kennedy High School in Cleveland, Ohio, he moved to Oakwood Village where he met and married Tony Macklin; and

WHEREAS, from the union they had two children; Gemelle and Latasha; and

WHEREAS, Gerald retired after working 30 years with Zircoa Inc.; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed fishing, cooking, eating, hunting, and spending time with his family and friends. He also loved to listen to music. He accepted Christ as his Lord and personal Savior at an early age and lived life his way, unapologetically, with a compassionate heart of gold and an entertaining sense of humor. On the day he passed, he was fishing, though he didn't feel well, but that night he met his Savior in eternity. For this reason, his ashes will be spread over Lake Erie at Port Clinton, his favorite fishing spot; and

WHEREAS, his memory will be cherished by his loving companion, Tony Macklin, his children; Gemelle Thomas (Pamela) and Latasha Thomas, his four grandchildren; Imari Davis-Thomas, Antwanyce Nichols, Gequah Davis-Thomas, Alaysia Curry and Natoryan Davis-Burgess, his two great grandchildren; Zarri Jones-Villegas and A'Dores Nichols, his brothers; Alvin Thomas (Anita) and Cedric Thomas (Tracey) along with a host of nieces, nephews, family, friends and neighbors; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT by the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Village Council and Mayor wish to express their most sincere condolences to the family of Gerald Dexter Thomas and hope the fond memories of such a fine, caring person comforts them in their loss.

SECTION 2. The Clerk is hereby authorized to present a copy of this resolution to the family of Gerald Dexter Thomas.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption by this Council and approved by the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: June 8, 2021
[Signature]
Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council

[Signature]
Johnnie A. Warren, President of Council

Presented to the Mayor June 16th 2021

Approved: June 23, 2021
[Signature]
Mayor - Gary V. Gottschalk

I, Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2021-37 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 8 day of June 2021.

[Signature]
Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Resolution 2021-37 was duly posted on the 23 day of June 2021 and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.

[Signature]
Clerk of Council

DATED: June 23 2021

Gerald Dexter Thomas

September 9, 1954 ~ May 25, 2021 (age 66)

Obituary & Services

Tribute Wall

Obituary

Gerald D. Thomas went home to be with the Lord May 25, 2021. Beloved son of the late Moses and Alice (Kee) Thomas, loving father of Gemelle Thomas (Pamela) and Latasha Thomas, cherished grandfather of Imari Davis-Thomas, Antwanyce Nichols, Gequah Davis-Thomas, Alaysia Curry and Natoryan Davis-Burgess great grandfather of Zarri Jones-Villegas and A'Dores Nichols. Dearest brother of Alvin Thomas (Anita) and Cedric Thomas (Tracey) . Special companion of Tony Thomas and a host of other relatives and many friends.

Mr. Gerald D. Thomas services will be livestreamed from this website.

PUBLIC VIEWING

Monday

June 7, 2021

5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Gaines Funeral Home

5386 Lee Road

Maple Heights, OH 44137

WAKE - LIVE STREAMED EVENT

Tuesday

June 8, 2021

10:00 AM

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE - LIVE STREAMED EVENT

Tuesday

June 8, 2021

10:30 AM

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Obituary

Gerald Dexter Thomas was born September 9, 1954 to Alice (Kee) Thomas and Moses Thomas in Cleveland, Ohio. He was the second son of three boys born to this union.

He was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio, where he attended Cleveland Public Schools, and graduated from John F. Kennedy in 1972. He later moved to Oakwood Village, Ohio where he met and married Tony Macklin and to that union two children were added.

Gerald worked at Zircoa Inc. for over 30 years until he retired in 2014. During his free time, he loved to cook, eat, fish, hunt, and spend time with his family and friends. He also loved to listen to music. He will be remembered for living his life the way he wanted, unapologetically and being compassionate with a heart of gold and an entertaining sense of humor. At an early age he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and personal Savior. He was a man of faith and understood the power of prayer and studying the Word.

Gerald leaves to cherish his memory, his loving companion Tony Macklin, two children; Gemelle Thomas (Pamela) and Latasha Thomas, four grandchildren; Imari Davis-Thomas, Antwanyce Nichols, Gequah Davis-Thomas, Alaysia Curry and Natoryan Davis-Burgess; two great grandchildren; Zarri Jones-Villegas and A'Dores Nichols, two brothers Alvin Thomas (Anita) and Cedric Thomas (Tracey) and host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

He loved to fish Port Clinton was his favorite place. He fished there on Monday even the last day he spent on this earth. and passed Monday night. His ashes will be spread over Lake Erie.

Lon time Village resident. Gerald spoke of Jesus. Fisher of men.

He did it his way.

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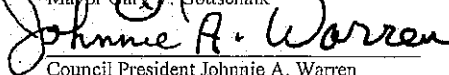
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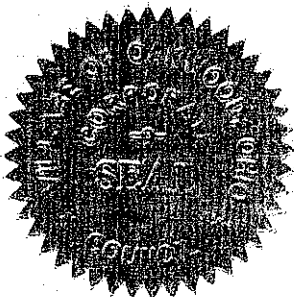
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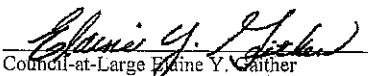

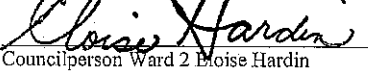
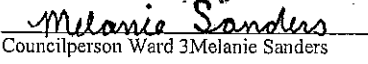
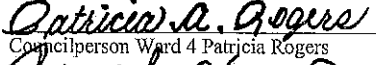
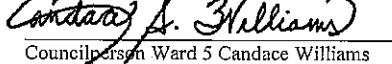
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PRESENTED THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2021.


Mayor Gary V. Gottschalk

Council President Johnnie A. Warren




Council-at-Large Elaine Y. Gaither

Councilperson Ward 1 Chris Callender

Councilperson Ward 2 Eloise Hardin

Councilperson Ward 3 Melanie Sanders

Councilperson Ward 4 Patricia Rogers

Councilperson Ward 5 Candace Williams