



## Gregory Thigpen

March 23, 1955 - February 6, 2023

Gregory Thigpen, 67, of Decatur, GA passed on Monday February 6, 2023. Celebration of Life Services will be held on Saturday February 11, 1 PM in our chapel. Visitation will be on Friday February 10, from 12-8 PM. Interment Georgia National Cemetery Canton, GA. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes and Crematory Inc. 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 241-5656.

<https://vimeo.com/event/2862855>

# Cemetery Details

## Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Dr  
Canton, GA 30114

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy  
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## Celebration of Life - Livestreamed (Mask Required)

FEB 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

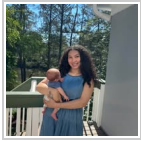


“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Gregory Thigpen*



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**Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc.** - February 10, 2023  
at 02:39 PM



“ *I recently found out and truly am sadden about the news, I went to sscms and Mr. Thigpen was like a father to me , he help me in times when i really needed someone the most. Without him I don't think I would ever believe in myself. Much love from a past student who always valued your advice and help.*

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**Sylvia Schroer** - August 22, 2024 at 04:18 PM

TH

“ My dear Classmate, Gwen:  
I send to you my condolences and heart felt sorrow in the passing of your husband Gregory and one of my truly favorite people during our time at Smith. Like everyone is saying , that smile was like gold! Thigpen always was a supporter for me and other members of the football team when we were freshmen trying to find ourselves and our football identities. He would travel to all our games and, win or lose, he was all ways talking bout the next game, keeping us looking ahead. This was strongly evident during our Junior year when we went 8-3-0 and tied for the southern division champions. He was a true motivator but he did it in his own quiet way. A strong personality of support. I owe him much for my success as an athlete at JCSU.  
You ae in my prayers classmate and this was a major shock to my system when I heard the news..So sorry I was unable to make the Home Going...  
GOD Bless YOU and may you live with the memories of "THIG" to guide you "FORWARD".  
Love Ya..... Tim Harkness

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**Timothy Harkness** - February 13, 2023 at 10:16 AM

MD

“ My deepest condolences to Gwen and the Thigpen. Saw him at the hotel in October in the lobby of the hotel. Remembering the good ole day at JCSU with he and Shamrock. 🙏 May God hold you and family in his hands. Gwen, much love. Rene Baker Doby

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**Mary Baker Doby** - February 11, 2023 at 03:48 PM

MC

“ My Sincere Condolences to the Thigpen Family 🙏 I had the pleasure of working with Greg for 10 years at Sandy Springs Middle School in Fulton County. I will always remember his warm smile and kind heart. May God Bless You! Love, Melanie Cannon

Melanie Cannon - February 11, 2023 at 03:16 PM

BT

“ To Gwen and family, from Larry and Betty Tidwell, classmates from Great Falls High School. We send our deepest condolences and sincere prayers and love to you all. It was wonderful to see you and Greg at our 50th class reunion last year. We will always remember that smile and his grace toward others.



Betty Tidwell - February 11, 2023 at 12:54 PM

CJ

“ I am so saddened to hear this. It was a pleasure having Gregory (we called him Chet) as a classmate and friend. Prayers for peace and comfort for his family and friends, as I know he will be missed terribly.

Cindy Tarlton Johnston  
GFHS '72

Cindy Tarlton Johnston - February 11, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



February 11, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.*



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February 10, 2023 at 06:12 PM



“ *He was just like a brother to me more than a friend he was family he always believed in me when sometime I didn't believe in myself, and he always kept me going. You will be greatly missed, but I know you're gonna be always with me in my heart.*

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**Mr. Hill** - February 10, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ *A Dear Cousin, Friend and Homeboy. From childhood to adolescence, to adulthood, the memories will live forever in my heart. May you rest in peace in grace and love. To Gwen and the Thigpen Family, our deepest condolences. Greg will be missed. Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you now and for always.*  
*JoAnne and Ron Rogers*

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**JoAnne Rogers** - February 10, 2023 at 12:45 PM



“ *My Condolences to Gwen and the family. Nothing but fond memories of our time at Smith. May he rest in peace.*

*Jacqueline Glover*

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**Jacqueline Glover** - February 10, 2023 at 08:43 AM

KM

“ *Sending our love and sincere condolences to Soror Gwen and the entire family. -Keandra Milligan and family*



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**Keandra Milligan** - February 10, 2023 at 08:26 AM

FF

“ *From Cousin. Bessie Brown and Family! purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Gregory Thigpen.*



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**From Cousin. Bessie Brown and Family!** - February 09, 2023 at 09:26 PM

CH

“ *Dear Gwen,*

*I was so saddened to hear of Greg's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I am grateful for the fond memories shared as Omega line brothers during our days at JCSU and so grateful that I had an opportunity to see and reconnect with Greg at our RHO 100-chapter celebration during this past homecoming. Please know that he will live on in all of our fond memories. May your happy memories give you peace and comfort during this challenging time. My deepest condolences.*



*Curtis Harbour*

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**Curtis Harbour** - February 09, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



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February 09, 2023 at 12:28 PM



“ Well Thank God we were together for Homecoming . We have been friends on earth almost 50 years  
But the beauty is we will always be friends in our New Home in Heaven  
Always hoping for you and Gwen  
Soror and sister Freida Flack

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**Freida Flack** - February 09, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ From your soror, Janice D. Hamlet purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



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**From your soror, Janice D. Hamlet** - February 09, 2023 at 11:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



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February 09, 2023 at 09:09 AM

AS

“ My condolences to Gwen and the family. May God continue to give you the strength and courage to go on. Blessings and prayers are with you . Al Seay



Al Seay - February 09, 2023 at 06:26 AM

PH

My condolences to you and your family. May God continue to bless bless now and always.

Percy Hairston - February 12, 2023 at 08:50 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



February 09, 2023 at 12:36 AM

MW

“ Mr. Thigpen always kept a smile on his face and he will be missed. My condolences goes out to his wife, daughter, family and friends. I will continue praying for you all AMEN! 🙏  
Mrs. E. White 🙏



Mrs. E. White - February 08, 2023 at 10:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.*



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February 08, 2023 at 10:07 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.*



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February 08, 2023 at 05:01 PM



“ *Prayers for the family and friends of Greg.*



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**Lisa Wright Jones** - February 08, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *Upon hearing of Greg's passing, my mind and heart pictured that BIG smile and deep chuckle he would give me each time we saw one another crossing the campus at JCSU. Gwen, you and family have my heart-felt condolences.*

*Your 1977 classmate and your #1 Line Sister*

*Dr. Delores Lee-Brown*

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**Dr. Delores Lee-Brown** - February 08, 2023 at 03:09 PM

DM

*May you always have wonderful memories of Thigpen.*

**Deborah Moore** - February 08, 2023 at 08:53 PM

GH

*I will always remember Greg with a smile. I don't think I ever saw him without it. Gwen, you are continually in my thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathy, Geraldine Brown Hogan*

**Geraldine Hogan** - February 09, 2023 at 11:42 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.*



February 08, 2023 at 02:49 PM

DB

“ *Greg was a friend during HS. Respectful of peers, and elders. I remember kidding around with him. I have to mention he was raised by a wonderful lady, I thought the world of.*

**Donna Abernathy Bryan** - February 08, 2023 at 02:22 PM

DB

“ *Donna Abernathy Bryan sent a virtual gift in memory of Gregory Thigpen*



**Donna Abernathy Bryan** - February 08, 2023 at 02:19 PM

MG

“ I was sorry to hear of Greg's passing. Tripper and I attended GFHS with him. I remember his smile and his athletic ability on the basketball court. He is now with his sweet Mama, Etta. Love to all the Thigpen family.

*Melinda and Tripper Gilreath*

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**Melinda Gilreath** - February 08, 2023 at 01:50 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



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February 08, 2023 at 01:43 PM

LM

“ My favorite memory of Mr. Thigpen was when he took about 5 8th graders (including me) to a leadership type of event for students across the area back in 2001. He also saved my classmate's life when he choked on a hard candy at that event. I will always remember his laugh and heart. He was the most sincere counselor I ever had growing up. He will be missed ❤️

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**lindsey macias** - February 08, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Gregory Thigpen.



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February 08, 2023 at 01:33 PM

JH

“ My heart is broken at the loss of fellow Golden Bull “Thigpen”. My sincerest condolences are extended to my 1977 classmate and Soror, Gwen and family. May God continue to comfort you. 🙏 Joni Mills Hicks



**Joni Mills Hicks** - February 08, 2023 at 12:52 PM

CH

“ My condolences to Family of Gregory Thigpen was my Omega line brother



**Collis D Howard** - February 08, 2023 at 11:03 AM

PM

“ Greg Thigpen was a wonderful man and guidance counselor. He helped so many students while they were in school and after they graduated. I called him "Thigpen" and he called me " Moss". That's what teachers did long ago. We didn't call one another by our first names. Rest in peace, dear friend. I know where you are! See you on the other side! Hugs and love! ❤️

**Patsy Moss** - February 08, 2023 at 08:51 AM

DL

“ Dear Gwen. I am so sorry to hear of Greg's passing. I remember his smile and kind demeanor while attending JCSU. Greg will never be forgotten. Please know you and the Thigpen family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Deb Walker-Lanier  
JCSU Class of 1977

Deborah Walker Lanier - February 07, 2023 at 09:44 PM

TW

“ Dearest Gwen & Family; I'll miss my Brother but He'll never be forgotten. Love "Pop" ❤️🙏

Theodore Wilmore - February 07, 2023 at 09:44 PM

DE

“ My sincere condolences to Gwen and Greg's family. He was a sweet spirit who always had a kind smile. Praying God's comfort and strength to you, Gwen.

Dr. Ruth "Dee" Edwards  
JCSU '76

Dr Ruth D Edwards - February 07, 2023 at 08:29 PM



My prayers are with the Thigpen family. May the Divine give you the strength for the journey ahead. 🙏

Glencie Rhedrick - February 07, 2023 at 09:09 PM

MS

Gwen, may the God of peace also comfort and strengthen you and your family as you move forward.

Myra Singleton Sass  
JCSU class of '76

myra sass - February 07, 2023 at 10:55 PM

C'

*Gwen, so sorry to hear of this sad news..may God give you and family peace, comfort and strength during this time.*

**Charlene Strong...JCSU Class of '78** - February 08, 2023 at 08:12 AM



*Condolences to the Thigpen family. Mr. Thigpen was my daughters middle school teacher at Sandy Springs Middle School. Many memories are in my heart. He impacted so many young people's lives. Rest well in the presence of our Lord!*

*Anita Hazel*

**Anita Hazel** - February 08, 2023 at 09:06 PM

NS

*Gwen, you and the family have my sincere condolences. Continued prayers of comfort.*

*Nedra Burns Snow - JCSU - Class of 1978*

**Nedra Snow** - February 09, 2023 at 11:50 AM

MF

“ *Mary Funderburk lit a candle in memory of Gregory Thigpen*



**Mary Funderburk** - February 07, 2023 at 07:59 PM

RC

“ *My sincere condolences to Gwen and Greg's family during this time of loss. I remember Greg's pleasant smile and disposition; he will be missed.*

*Robbie Thompson*

*JCSU Class of '76*

**Robbie Thompson, JCSU Classmate** - February 07, 2023 at 07:09 PM

KW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Greg’s passing. He was a wonderful counselor and friend when we worked together at Sandy Springs Middle School. He was an inspiration and mentor to so many young people in his career and he changed so many lives for the better. My sincere condolences to Gwen and entire family.  
Kay Walker

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**Kay Walker** - February 07, 2023 at 06:46 PM

DH

“ So sorry to hear of Gregory's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with Gwen and family. Dr. Janice D. Hamlet



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**Dr. Janice D. Hamlet** - February 07, 2023 at 06:26 PM

PH

“ To the Thigpen family. My deepest sympathy for your loss, Greg was such a wonderful, and friendly person, loved by so many, may he rest peacefully in the arms of our Heavenly Father. Praying for you all Gwen. With love Priscilla

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**Priscilla Head** - February 07, 2023 at 05:52 PM

TT

“ To Gwen and family,  
We send our deepest condolences and sincere prayers to you all.  
Greg was my classmate in the Johnson C. Smith Class of 1976.  
When we saw him at Homecoming last October, he was as jovial as  
he always was.  
Remember that God will always be with you as you recall precious  
memories of Greg.  
God bless,  
Tony and Gail Tolbert  
Summerville, SC

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**To y and Gail Tolbert** - February 07, 2023 at 05:06 PM

LG

*Gwen and the Thigpen family.*

*Sorry to hear of the passing of your love one  
Greg and I grew up together in Great Falls SC. He was a sweet kind  
gentle soul who would always make you smile when ever you were in  
his presence.  
May your memories of him sustain you during this difficult time. He will  
be missed by many.*

*Lillie Graham  
Charlotte, NC*

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**Lillie Graham** - February 08, 2023 at 10:16 AM

ME

“ To the Thigpen family My deepest condolences May the Lord keep  
you during these times Mr Thigpen was a great friend and a  
wonderful mentor to my Son He will be missed God bless 🙏  
Ms Echols

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**Ms Echols** - February 07, 2023 at 04:37 PM

JW

“ Greg and i were friends from the first grade starting school in 1960 he allways smiled and cracked jokes whenever we came in contact with him over the years we kept in contact with each other I would always find out what he was doing Greg love people he enjoyed being around friends and familyl could sit and listen to him talk for day Greg is a fun loving generous caring person I will miss our conversation but now it's time for you to rest in peace my friend God have you now

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**Julius. Watson** - February 07, 2023 at 04:36 PM

MW

“ Marilyn M. Watkins lit a candle in memory of Gregory Thigpen



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**Marilyn M. Watkins** - February 07, 2023 at 03:59 PM

CV

“ Cheryl Via lit a candle in memory of Gregory Thigpen



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**Cheryl Via** - February 07, 2023 at 02:52 PM

NC

“ Our sincere, heartfelt condolences to the entire Thigpen family. We pray God's peace, mercy and grace upon you during this, and beyond difficult time.

*Pastor Jamal Bryant and the New Birth Church Family.*

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**New Birth Missionary Baptist Church** - February 07, 2023 at 02:36 PM

EC

“ Thoughts and prayers for Aunt Gwen and the Thigpen Family



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**Erick CRAWFORD** - February 07, 2023 at 02:18 PM

SH

“ My deepest sympathies to Gwen and Greg's entire family. My prayers are with you. Thanks to Thigpen's push, we established a JCSU Class of 1976 Scholarship Fund that will benefit many students seeking a quality education. He is a blessing to many.



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**Shelia Harvey** - February 07, 2023 at 01:38 PM