



## Carroll Ray Thurlow

August 16, 1931 - November 19, 2012

Carroll Ray Thurlow, 81, of Kingston, Arkansas, died November 19, 2012 at the Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Arkansas. He was born August 16, 1931 at Raymond, Maine, the son of Arthur and Berniece Ray Thurlow. He was a retired baking foreman for the Keebler Company and a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the United States Air Force. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Robert Thurlow, Arthur Thurlow, Jr. and Walter Thurlow. Survivors include: his wife, Bertha Ficht Blackston Thurlow of the home whom he married on April 17, 1970; one son, Jimmy Thurlow of Aurora, Colorado; two daughters, Claire (Tom) Hanslin of Aurora, Colorado and Carol Ann Thurlow of Kingston, Arkansas; two stepsons, David (Patty) Blackston of Plattville, Colorado and Leroy (Linda) Blackston of Kingsburg, Colorado; two stepdaughters, Reba (Joe) Bono of Hudson, Colorado and Regina (Rich) Johnson of Dayton, Washington; one brother, Luke Thurlow of Raymond, Maine; two sisters, Betty Pierce of Raymond, Maine and Janice Ash of Gray, Maine; seventeen grandchildren and thirty-seven great-grandchildren. Private graveside services will be held at the Thurlow Cemetery in Raymond, Maine. Local arrangements are under the direction of Brashears Funeral Home [www.brashearsfuneralhome.net](http://www.brashearsfuneralhome.net) of Huntsville, Arkansas.

# Tribute Wall

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“ , words are inadequate in the face of grief. But what is of value is just being there for your feirnd. People underestimate the value of that. Just to sit quietly with her, hug if needed, talk if she wants to, but allow the silence too. And also sticking around for the long haul. Too many people only offer support up until the funeral, when it's after that the reality of permanent loss really sinks in, as the shock wears off. And because nobody knows what to say and it makes everyone feel uncomfortable, lots of people just keep away, which makes things worse of course. Just be there, so she knows she's not all alone.

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**Donald Burk** - November 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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**Douglas Burk** - November 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM