



# Alvin Thomas

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**A**lvin Thomas, also known as Dugga, peacefully passed away at his home in Odessa, Florida on November 16, 2021. He was born December 13, 1936, in Port of Spain, Trinidad to Cyril Thomas and Iris Villafana.

After graduating from high school in Trinidad, Alvin migrated to Canada to attend George Brown College. While in Canada, he continued to follow his passion by playing soccer for a local team in Toronto. Shortly thereafter, he met his wife of 41 years, Margaret Thomas. Alvin migrated to the States to be with his wife where they eventually made their landing spot in Florida. Together they raised their 2 daughters, Natesa and Akeema. Alvin had a passion for music, soccer, exploring new endeavors, and most importantly, his family.

In addition to his parents, Alvin was predeceased by his sisters Joyce Lewis and Joan Gibbons. He is survived by sisters, Elsa Hislop and Claudia Skerritt, brother Frankie Frederick, wife, Margaret Thomas, daughters, Natesa Lormine and Akeema Thomas-George, son-in-laws, Philippe Lormine and Clewon George, and granddaughters, Sachelle and Elliana Lormine. He is also survived by his cousins, nieces and nephews.

A service will be held on November 23, 2021, at 10:30am at Our Lady of the Rosary, 2348 Collier Pkwy, Land O' Lakes, FL 34639.




# Events

**Alvin Thomas**

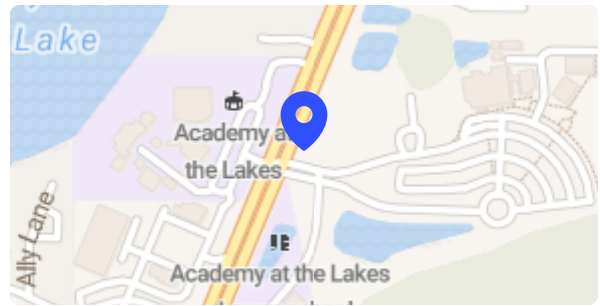
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## Funeral Mass

 **Tuesday**, November 23, 2021

 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM ET

 **Our Lady of the Rosary**  
2348 Collier Pkwy, Land O' Lakes FL 34639





## Tribute Wall

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SL

**Sam Lewis** posted:

One of my earlier memories of Alvin Dugga Thomas goes back to a J'Ouvert morning some time in the mid-60's on Independence Square, Port of Spain, when he came up to me and gave me a big hug while he was totally dressed in mud and I was in my police uniform. After ensuring that I was well and truly covered in mud, he joyfully skipped away, very likely in search of others to hug, while for me that was the end of my tour of duty. Goodbye Dugga, your mission here has ended and you have been called home to rest safely in the arms of the Creator. Rest in Perfect Peace.

November 23 at 7:48 AM

SH

**Selwyn Henry** posted:

My first encounter with Dugga was in the Queens Park Savannah 1955 on Maple's ground. This large grassy plain in Port of Spain north was the prime recreational space for the youth of East Dry River, Belmont and Newtown. Sheffield United based in Oxford Street was playing Plan Rangers from Nelson Street. Dugga had the challenging tasks of refereeing this game. The game ended with victory for the Nelson Street team. In a rush of teenage fury we prepared to attack members of the opposing team and the referee. We were not aware that the Dynamos star was also noted for swift action and hence lead the Nelson Street squad to a quick escape down the paved bed of the dry river. In the city of Toronto the collection of multi-storied apartment buildings commonly referred to as St James Town presented the stage for two adversaries to reconnect and develop a friendship that knew few boundaries. We will always have the memories too many, good times abundant, greetings and goodbyes in time and space too numerous to recall. Condolences to the Thomas family. Selwyn 'Doc' Henry

November 23 at 6:53 AM

IR

**Irelenekeller** posted:

Good old fun loving Duggar, gone but will never be forgotten- Vilma & Irelene

November 23 at 6:04 AM

CS

**Claudia Thomas Skerritt** lit a candle in honor of Alvin.



November 23 at 6:01 AM



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KA

**Kelvin & Barbara Andrews** posted:

Alvin was a beautiful fun loving guy who will be missed by all his friends .Margaret you and the family did a great job taking care of him, God Bless you all. Cherish all the wonderful memories. May he rest in Peace .

November 23 at 2:01 AM

MS

**Michael Skerritt** posted:

Alvin was a memorable character, friend and family. He, accepted me as a brother, due to his close friendship with my brother Anthony, his brother in law.I admired his defense against all comers in " Saga Ting Competitions" But he also excelled along with Bentoozie in dancing Sailor in All Stars, and earned The Nickname, "Hawk A Dawk" The Name I always will remember him by"

November 22 at 4:29 PM



**Derrick Lewis** posted:

Best memories are: him exposing me to jazz People's spirits lifting when dugga reach! him 'beating iron' Alvin doing the rabbit juk wine with his sis, my mom.....they are dancing in heaven

November 22 at 4:04 PM

SR

**Selwyn Rouse** posted:

I arrived in Toronto on September 9th 1967 and was driven to the apartment home of Alvin and his wife, Margaret, in St. Jamestown. I knew Alvin as the young man who had played for Dynamos Football Club in the Port-of-Spain Football League. To him, I was a total stranger. Nevertheless, he and his wife extended to me on my first two days in Canada, the hospitality that I could never have anticipated. I went off to Ottawa for a year. When I returned to Toronto to take up residence and met Alvin again in social circles, he cordially gave me the nickname "Roommate". One could very well understand why I developed an admiration and respect for this gentleman. I extend to his friends and family my sincere condolences on his passing. May his soul rest peacefully with the angels.

November 22 at 12:33 PM



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