

**A Tribute to the Memory of the Late Lucretia Jeneba Thomas
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Lucretia Jeneba Thomas, Former Chief Commissioner and member of the National Council of the Liberia Girl Guides Association, was an extraordinary woman for many reasons. She loved Guiding with a passion so great that it transformed her entire life.

Among her many activities and achievements in life, she will be remembered for over 30 years of faithful and dedicated services to the Liberia Girl Guides Association. She was honored on many occasions and decorated twice by the Government of Liberia.

At the age of 94 years, she was still actively involved in the plans, programs and activities of the Liberia Girl Guides Association. Prior to becoming the Chief Commissioner of the LGGA in 1972, she served in many other capacities including Deputy Chief Commissioner, Patrol Leader, Guider, Trainer, and almost every imaginable position in the LGGA. She served as Chief Commissioner for 16 years.

She was more than an Advisor, more than an encyclopedia of knowledge about Guiding. She was a pillar of wisdom and technical and administrative support to the Liberia Girl Guides Association.

She represented the Association at many regional and international conferences, and was instrumental in reviving Guiding in Liberia after the Second World War. For her hard work and tireless efforts, she was made an Honorary Associate Member of the World

Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts in 1985 for her role in restoring Liberia to full membership of that international body. She also played an important role in establishing the African Region Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Commissioner Lucretia Jeneba Thomas devoted many years of her life advocating for and working to improve the quality of life of girls and young women within and beyond the territorial limits of Liberia. Immediately prior to her death, she had volunteered her service to teach and train the girls to perform certain specific duties at public ceremonies.

She has left a legacy of selfless service. She was a Guiding Light and her departure has left us with the challenge of keeping that flame burning.

The LGGA has lost an exemplary leader, a woman of substance, a role model and a mother. Although we mourn her loss today, we the Officers and members of the LGGA celebrate her life, and will always remember her priceless contributions to the Liberia Girl Guides Association.

Thank God for a life well lived. Commissioner Lucretia Thomas life exemplified every Guiding Law and the motto of the Girl Guides “to be prepared”. She has kept the Girl Guides Promise to do her best in service to God and country. She has been called from labor to reward. She has finished her course. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in perfect peace.