



Sara Thomas

November 29, 1981 - November 8, 2019

Sara Lynn Thomas, 37 of Cornelius passed away on November 8, 2019. She was born on November 29, 1981 in Pittsburgh, PA. to Judith Marion Thomas and the late Edward Daniel Thomas.

Sara was deeply loved by her family from the beginning. She grew up in Ingomar, PA, a suburb of Pittsburgh. Sara graduated from North Allegheny high school in 2000. She also earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from The University of Pittsburgh in 2005. More important than any degree was Sara's passion for helping the castaways in society. Sara's most difficult career choice was when she worked as a counselor to people in the lowest socio-economic classes with severe mental health and/or substance abuse issues. Sara taught hurting people how to find hope and inspired them to strive to be what they wanted for themselves. She made them laugh at life, their mistakes and the demons in their lives. Through Sara, the demons became powerless things that people could overcome. She walked humbly beside these people on their journey to be better versions of themselves. She sought out those who were deemed undesirable by society and made them feel loved. She once invited a homeless man who lived behind a dumpster to a friend's dinner party just because he had never been invited to a formal dinner party. On another occasion, she brought a recovering addict to an upscale hair salon owned by her friend and influenced him to give the woman a luxurious hair treatment, because she had never had her hair done professionally and she 'deserved a break'. She was very similar to her dad, Ed, who spent his free time ministering to recovering addicts in prison. It brings her family comfort knowing she is in her dad's arms and in the light of God. For those who are left here, we feel robbed of time with her, but as Sara's friend so eloquently put, Sara had a short but brilliant wick on her life. We all wanted her wick to burn longer, but there are people who stay here for a moment and their short wick is a furious flame that guides those who are fighting to get out of the darkness. You can only flare that bright for a short period of time and some who are close to her and have always known her love don't see that brilliance. The bright light was always for those who never felt love, the castaways in society. Sara's humor was brilliant, irreverent, hysterical, and sometimes had hidden lessons. Her 'hobbies' included talking on the phone, listening to stand-up comedian pod

casts, taking naps and petting cats. Her laughter will never be forgotten, nor will the way she made us feel loved.

In addition to her mother, survivors include her sister Jennifer Linsenmayer (James), her niece, Isabella Linsenmayer and nephew, Noah Linsenmayer of Davidson, NC, along with other family members and countless friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Crisis Assistance Ministry, whose mission is preventing homelessness and preserving dignity. Crisis Assistance Ministry, 500 -A Spratt Street, Charlotte, NC 28206. www.crisisassistance.org

A graveside service will be held at 11 AM Saturday, November 16 at Mimosa Cemetery in Davidson. Please dress casually. Sara would want you to be comfortable!

James Funeral Home of Huntersville is serving the family.
www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com

Cemetery

Mimosa Cemetery

518 South Street

Davidson, NC, 28036

Events

NOV **Graveside Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ Hope you can find peace knowing that she is with her Dad Dorothy Holzer and family



Dorothy Holzer - November 16, 2019 at 08:43 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sara Thomas.



November 15, 2019 at 03:29 PM



“ Alexandra Bonaddio sent a virtual gift in memory of Sara Thomas



Alexandra Bonaddio - November 13, 2019 at 06:32 PM



“ I work at Bexley Harborside in Cornelius, and I remember giving Sarah and her mother Judith a tour of an Apartment that Sarah's Mom was looking for. I remember Sarah's outgoing personality, friendly attitude, beautiful smile, and all the care she put into finding the best place to live for her mother. I will never forget the laughter we shared together during the time we had when they visited Bexley. I saw that Sarah and her mother Judith shared the same laughter, and personality. It was an absolute pleasure to have met Sarah. I have the opportunity of seeing Sarah's Mother Judith at Bexley, and every time I see her, I want to give her a big hug, and let her know that both her and Sarah are in my thoughts and prayers, as well as hope that she will get

through this.
Alexandra



Alexandra Bonaddio - November 13, 2019 at 06:31 PM



“ Thank you Alexandra. Your words are so beautiful. We both enjoyed the time you spent with us that day. You, Heather and Kara have been amazing. Bexley Harborside is lucky to have you young ladies and so am I. You all are amazing. I'll take that hug next time I see you.

Judy Thomas - November 15, 2019 at 12:10 AM



“ I will always remember her for her beauty and kindness to those less fortunate. She and Ed are bringing laughter to heaven



Karen Bennett - November 13, 2019 at 05:21 AM



“ Love you Karen Bennett. I know she is in her Dad's arms.

Judy Thomas - November 15, 2019 at 12:15 AM



“ Darlene, Maddie And Mimi lit a candle in memory of Sara Thomas



Darlene, Maddie and Mimi - November 12, 2019 at 09:01 PM



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Judy Thomas - November 15, 2019 at 12:16 AM



“ Don & Sue Galbreath lit a candle in memory of Sara Thomas



Don & Sue Galbreath - November 12, 2019 at 08:03 PM



“ Ed Hovrud and Joanne Horn purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sara Thomas.



Ed Hovrud and Joanne Horn - November 12, 2019 at 06:30 PM



“ Rhonda Wayne lit a candle in memory of Sara Thomas



Rhonda Wayne - November 12, 2019 at 05:06 PM



“ I haven't spoken to Sara for years, but I am heartbroken to hear she is gone. Sara dated my son, Austin, many years ago and we spoke through the years after that. I was always happy and impressed to hear what she was doing with her life. I lost my Austin to an overdose in 2007 and I am so sad that Sara's family is experiencing the absolute heartache of losing a beautiful child. I'm so sorry that the world has lost her.

Kathryn

Kathryn Socash - November 12, 2019 at 03:53 PM



“ Maribeth Adams lit a candle in memory of Sara Thomas



Maribeth Adams - November 12, 2019 at 10:25 AM



“ May you rest in peace and be guided by your father. We will all miss you Sara and we love you.

Maribeth Adams - November 12, 2019 at 10:29 AM