



## Shannon G. Thonus

January 21, 1994 - July 11, 2025

Lafayette - Shannon Grace Thonus, age 31, peacefully passed away on Friday evening, July 11, 2025 at her residence while surrounded by her loving family. Born on January 21, 1994 in Newton, Shannon graduated from Kittatinny Regional High School in 2012 and received a degree in Criminal Justice from Sussex County Community College. She pursued a career as a 9-1-1 dispatcher, where she earned numerous accolades and awards for her dedication and service. When Shannon was not working, she enjoyed spending time with her husband and their daughters. Shannon loved traveling, listening to country music, hanging around fire pits and the Christmas season. She lived her life with no regrets and no holds barred attitude. The world is a little bit darker and colder without the shining light that she was. She truly left a beautiful legacy to remember. Shannon was predeceased by her father, Brian Quinn and her maternal grandmother, Jean Norris. She is survived by her husband, James Thonus, their beautiful daughters, Lyla and Cecelia; her mother, Kathryn Quinn; and her sister, Caitlyn. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 17, 2025 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. Interment to follow at Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery North Church Road in Sparta. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation in Shannon's name to support liver cancer research, American Liver Foundation, P.O. Box 299, West Orange, NJ 07052. Online condolences may be offered to the

family on [www.PinkelFuneralHome.com](http://www.PinkelFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 16. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.  
31 Bank Street (Route 23)  
Sussex, NJ 07461  
(973) 875-3272  
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## Service

JUL 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Virtual Service

JUL 17. 11:00 AM.

<https://youtube.com/live/FW7NrcrjtLg?feature=share>

# Tribute Wall

ND

“ *Had. L*

Nick DeVita - August 02, 2025 at 12:42 PM

JT

“ *Praying for peace, comfort and strength for Jim and his daughters and for the immediate family during this difficult time.*

Jim and Judy Tichnor - July 17, 2025 at 09:21 AM



“ *Dear Jimmy & Family,  
We are so sorry to hear of Shannon's passing. May she rest in eternal peace.  
Keeping you all in our prayers.  
Mary, Matthew, Scott Jr & Kaitlynn Kenyon*



Mary Wellek - July 16, 2025 at 03:47 PM

RA

“ *I'm deepest sympathy to family and friends and 911 Center.  
Prayers. Rae Ann/Sussex County Employee*

Rae Ann - July 16, 2025 at 03:09 PM

AM

“ *Anthony M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.*

Anthony M. - July 16, 2025 at 12:07 PM

OG

“ *Olga G lit a candle in memory of Shannon G. Thonus*



Olga G - July 16, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ *A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.*

July 16, 2025 at 03:38 AM

AN

“ *"The flame that burns twice as bright burns half as long" and Shannon's flame was blinding.*



*Kathy and family - we pray that as the months and years pass, you find peace in the beautiful memories you created and the crushing grief you feel now will ease. Sending hugs and love to you. Ann D and Kelly L*

Ann - July 15, 2025 at 05:22 PM

LB

“ *Love, The Bambrick's purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.*



Love, The Bambrick's - July 15, 2025 at 02:40 PM

LB

“ Love, The Bambrick’s planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

Love, The Bambrick’s - July 15, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



July 15, 2025 at 12:05 AM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



July 14, 2025 at 11:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

July 14, 2025 at 11:55 PM

BS

“ BlueRidge Rescue Squad purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**BlueRidge Rescue Squad** - July 14, 2025 at 07:28 PM

SV

“ Shannon was a stunning force of nature! Even as a kid she knew her own mind, lived life fiercely, loved hard, and gave openly. Her beautiful spirit will certainly be missed by all who knew her! Many prayers and much love to her family!



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**Sherri Valerio** - July 14, 2025 at 06:18 PM

SV

“ Sherri V. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**Sherri V.** - July 14, 2025 at 06:07 PM

SV

“ Sherri V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

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**Sherri V.** - July 14, 2025 at 06:07 PM

AS

“ Alex Spurr purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**Alex Spurr** - July 14, 2025 at 02:26 PM

AS

“ Alex Spurr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

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**Alex Spurr** - July 14, 2025 at 02:26 PM

AP

“ Anthony & Nikki Pall purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**Anthony & Nikki Pall** - July 14, 2025 at 10:31 AM

TF

“ The Meletta Family purchased the *Treasured Lilies Spray* for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**The Meletta Family** - July 14, 2025 at 10:27 AM

DF

“ Dave Fritsch & Family purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**Dave Fritsch & Family** - July 14, 2025 at 12:21 AM

DF

“ Dave Fritsch & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

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**Dave Fritsch & Family** - July 14, 2025 at 12:21 AM

HD

“ Hopatcong Police Department Dispatchers purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Shannon G. Thonus.



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**Hopatcong Police Department Dispatchers** - July 13, 2025 at 08:45 AM

HD

“ Hopatcong Police Department Dispatchers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shannon G. Thonus.

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**Hopatcong Police Department Dispatchers** - July 13, 2025 at 08:45 AM

KW

“ *Kathy and Family, I am so so sorry to hear of the passing of your beautiful daughter. I am sending prayers and hugs to you and your family at this time of great sorrow*



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**Kelly Wronka** - July 13, 2025 at 07:30 AM