



## Stephanie Ann Thomas

March 5, 1956 - September 29, 2018

Stephanie Ann Thomas, age 62, of Versailles, passed away Saturday, September 29, 2018, at her home. She was born March 5, 1956, in Allentown, Pennsylvania, a daughter of the late Walter and Virद्या Vaudine (Bell) Slota.

On August 30, 1974, she was united in marriage to Wayne Carl Thomas, who preceded her in death on July 7, 2005.

At a young age, Stephanie made the choice to believe that Jesus was her Lord and Savior. She was baptized at the Calvary Baptist Church in Versailles.

Stephanie loved her family and spending time with them. She enjoyed having coffee and talking to her sister and sister-in-law on the phone.

Stephanie liked to shop at thrift stores and garage sales looking for second hand treasures to decorate her home. She enjoyed watching the birds and sitting outside when the weather was nice.

She is survived by her children, Michael Thomas and wife Donna, Michelle Ousley and husband Chris, Rachael Thomas, Jordan Thomas and wife Amber and Daniel Thomas and wife Jeanelle all of Versailles; fifteen grandchildren; a great-grandson; her sister, Catherine Marie Fieguth and husband Joseph Paul of Lincoln City, Oregon and many other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Mark Thomas.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, October 4th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles. Graveside services and interment will follow in the Versailles Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., Thursday, at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of

Versailles.

# Cemetery

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## Versailles Cemetery

550 Clay Road

Versailles, MO, 65084

# Events

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**OCT**   **Visitation**                      10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel  
207 North Monroe St., Versailles, MO, US, 65084

**OCT**   **Service**                                      11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Kimberly Day lit a candle in memory of Stephanie Ann Thomas



Kimberly day - October 06, 2018 at 10:11 AM

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“ I'm so sorry we didn't make it to Steph's funeral she was loved and a good friend she loved u kids very much I remember every time she found out she was pregnant she was so excited and we knew she had a certain way she stood . She was an awesome cook . Loved nature wish we would have got to see her . Her and Wayne loved each other very much I'm praying for you all you kid I can't imagine to lose both parents I'm at a loss with just one parent love you all

Kimberly day - October 06, 2018 at 10:09 AM

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“ I remember one time my mom and dad took us on a long trip to see her mom and dad so one of the days we were there me Michelle and mom and grandma all went to the mall and we all ate twinkies together she was the best mom us kids could ask for even when she got upset with us. love and miss you mom

rachael thomas - October 05, 2018 at 11:08 PM

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“ Mom and dad loved Christmas, it was their favorite holiday. For many years we would cut down a real tree. One year in particular I remember going to Green's Christmas Tree farm on Hwy W just outside Versailles. I think I was in elementary school still. There was so much snow on the ground. Mom was looking for the perfect tree. I remember the snow was up to my knees and my feet were getting so cold. We would see a tree she liked but she would see another one at the other end of the field. My legs and feet got so cold. Years later I always felt we were like National Lampoon's Christmas. They were always looking for the big perfect tree.



Michelle Ousley - October 05, 2018 at 07:40 PM

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“ Stephanie was born exactly three weeks before my sixth birthday. After that I carefully watched my little sister and took her with me when I started the first grade the September after Stephanie was born which gave each of us a unique relationship with our mother. I was an only child until I was almost six and Stephanie had mom all to herself while I was at school.

By the time Stephanie reached the age of two she had come to love shoes. In order to go shopping mom and dad had to promise her a new pair of shoes. They tried to get their shopping done first because once Stephanie had her new shoes she was ready to go home.

When you have a big sister it's just natural to think you can do every thing your big sister can but that was not the case. Stephanie was told over and over that she was too little. If that wasn't bad enough Stephanie was told that she was too big. What was she to do?

She thought about it and came up with what she thought would be the perfect solution. She said: I want to be a little bit big and a little bit little.

From the time she was four or five Stephanie had decided she wanted a large family. Around that time she was asked what she was going to be when she grew up and her reply was that she wanted to be a mommy. Then she was asked how many children she was going to have. She replied 12. Then last of all she was asked who was going to take care of all these children. She quickly replied Mommy and Daddy!!! Our mother lovingly shared Jesus with her and by the time she was three she had prayed with our mom and asked Jesus to come into her heart. That was the greatest decision Stephanie ever made and that was when she decided to follow Jesus. He in turn promised her eternal life and a home with Him in Heaven one day.

Jesus said Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. Stephanie believed GOD and trusted HIM that he was preparing a special place for her. Stephanie believed Jesus when He said: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. So when Stephanie became sick six months ago she knew she could trust him no matter what happened.

Every day we prayed and read the word of God together. The bible says that faith comes from hearing the word of God. Stephanie's faith increased every day and she

began to pray out loud for me and others when we had a need.

During those six months we read the four gospels that told about the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus the Son of God. We read the book of Acts which told what happened after Jesus rose from the dead and returned to heaven. We also read a good portion of the New Testament together.

The last few months before she died we read and talked about heaven a lot.

We talked about family and friends waiting for us and all the pets that we had loved that were waiting for us too.

We talked about the home that Jesus said he was preparing for us and that Jesus knew what kind of home we would like best, with it's landscaping and the furnishings. Since He made us He knows our tastes better then we do.

I'm sure Stephanie has a beautiful patio where she sits every morning and sits with family and friends who visit her. She has grandchildren who were miscarried and her son Mark, her husband Wayne and his parents and brother as well as her parents and oh so many more family and loved ones. These were all waiting to greet her when she died.

The bible says "Absent from the body and present with the Lord"

Stephanie is no longer in pain and suffering. She is young again.

She is healthier then she has ever been.

She is full of joy and peace. There are no doubts or fears. She is loved in heaven and knows a love she never knew on earth.

I was very close to my sister and I love and miss her but I know that I will see her again. She is waiting for me

Jesus said I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the father but by me.

If we confess the Lord Jesus and believe in our heart hthat God raised him from the dead you will be saved.

Do you know him. He offers you eternal life.





“ What lovely memories and the Truth of the Lord is comforting.

**Sara Long** - October 07, 2018 at 12:47 AM

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“ I remember you teaching me how to make mashed potatoes with a electric mixer. I asked why you made so many and you said, "because I have six kids". Love you so much!

**Jane Moore** - October 03, 2018 at 07:33 AM

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“ Oh there are so many great memories but the one that stands out the most is when I was about 6 yrs old.

We were inside the old farm house aunt Steph come running in and saying mom Bigfoot is outside and grandma runs out side and said suuwee out as load as she could and this thing came running out of the woods tearing up the tree's and uncle Wayne and uncle Danny went down the dirt road and all the sudden you seen reverse lights on and this thing was chasing them out. Well the next day they had farmers calling them that a big black Angus bull was out and on the run and tearing everything up in sight. But this memory I'll won't forget because aunt Steph was only 18 yrs old. I have so many great memories of her. She will be dearly and truly missed. She is in a better place with her family. Love to all our family. Praying for comfort and strength through this time. I love you aunt Steph.



**Ronda Thomas** - September 30, 2018 at 11:33 PM

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“ We will miss Aunt Stephanie. She loved her family and was a great cook. We always enjoyed visiting during Christmas and in the summer. Sitting around Gram's table in her kitchen we enjoyed family time!

**Shannon Tharp** - September 30, 2018 at 09:32 PM