



## Kimberly R. Thomas

November 12, 1973 - October 1, 2025

Kimberly R. Thomas, 51, passed away peacefully at her home in Sunrise Beach on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family. She was born November 12, 1973, in Detroit, Michigan, to Donald and Diane Cox Springer.

Kim graduated from Farragut High School in Knoxville, Tennessee, in 1991, and went on to earn her degree in criminal justice with minors in paralegal studies and forensic science from the University of Southern Mississippi. She built a career helping others through her work with various attorneys and as an independent paralegal. In 2012, Kim followed her passion and opened "Simply Scents," pouring her heart into the business she loved for many years.

On August 9, 2003, Kim married the love of her life, Edward "Ryan" Thomas. Their 22 years together were filled with laughter, devotion, and an unbreakable bond. When Kim was diagnosed with ALS in January 2024, Ryan never left her side, lovingly caring for her every day and ensuring she felt his love until her final breath.

Those who knew Kim knew exactly where they stood with her. She had a refreshingly honest, no-nonsense way about her—she'd tell you exactly what she thought, and though her candor could catch you off guard, there was

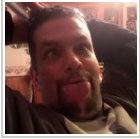
always an attempt at kindness beneath it. Kim was an artist at heart, finding peace and joy in her paintings, crafts, and garden. Her creativity shined through in everything she touched, and her beautiful artwork will be treasured by those she loved.

Kim is survived by her devoted husband, Ryan Thomas; her stepchildren, Preston Thomas and Haley Thomas, both of Vicksburg, Mississippi; her father, Don Springer of Greenview; her brother, Joseph Springer and his wife Theresa of Michigan; her mother-in-law, Jackie Grant, and brother-in-law, Robert Thomas, both of Ripley, Mississippi; along with many extended family members and friends who will miss her dearly.

No services are planned at this time. In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations to the GoFundMe page, <https://gofund.me/59ffeff6f> or directly to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nate Lofland lit a candle in memory of Kimberly R. Thomas*



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**Nate Lofland** - October 28, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ *Condolences to the family. So sorry for your loss.*



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**Cindy Campbell** - October 18, 2025 at 11:04 AM