



August B. Thomas

January 14, 1948 - January 11, 2025

August (Augie) B. Thomas died early Sunday morning, January 12, 2025 at Centralia Manor.

He was born on January 14, 1948 to Burton and Zota (Rich) Thomas at St. Mary's Hospital.

Augie attended Demaree Methodist Church during his younger years and graduated from CTHS in 1966. He loved the Go Cart Track and spent many hours there. He also loved playing pool and was a good player. He was a construction worker for many years but, after breaking his hip, he became a bartender in several places in the Centralia area.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by his younger brother, Jon.

He is survived by his daughter, Christi (Josh) Clark, and grandchildren, Kourtnie, Coty, Garritt, Emmalee, and Noah. He is also survived by his sister, Diana (Craig) Hess Pohlod, and sister-in-law Cynthia Thomas, and two nieces, Erica Hess Gregory, and Heather Thomas and a nephew, Justin Thomas. Our cousin, Patty, and friend Carol, were both so kind and helpful to Augie during these past few months. Rick, another friend, drove Augie to many, many doctors appointments and refused to take any reimbursement for these many trips. Other kind friends included Vicki, Maggie, and Kenny.

Funeral services will be held at Sutherland Funeral Home in Centralia, Illinois on Saturday, January 25, 2025. Visitation will be at 1:00 PM with the service to follow at 2:00 PM. A reception with coffee and cookies will be held at Plaza Verde following the service. Burial will happen in the Thomas family plot in Sandoval at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions for a headstone for his grave would be appreciated and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523 or sent to Diana Hess Pohlod, PO Box 252, Thomasboro, IL 61878. Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home is honored to be of service to Augie's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and the Funeral Home Facebook page.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home
235 N. Sycamore Street
Centralia, IL 62801

Celebration of Life

JAN **25**. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home
235 N. Sycamore Street
Centralia, IL 62801

Tribute Wall

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“ I miss you Auggie. I remember you messaging me throughout the years just to check up on me and you would tell me all these positive things about life and would tell me to just keep going no matter what and as long as I continued to do the right next thing I would be okay. Thank you for that. I remember as kids going to your house on vacation and you would make us all breakfast in the morning. You were always a very funny guy and someone that a person could talk to no matter where they were at in life. Truly a one of a kind man and a damn good Uncle. Rest easy man!!! Hope you and my Dad are up there hanging out now!!!! Also I'm sending prayers to all of his other family members we've all lost a good one.



Justin Thomas - January 25, 2025 at 02:22 AM

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“ Cynthia R Thomas lit a candle in memory of August B. Thomas



Cynthia R Thomas - January 24, 2025 at 02:06 PM

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WHEN I FIRST MEET AUGIE IN 1979, HE WAS A BUSY MAN.JUST HAD ABABY CHRISTI AND WORKING AND STAYED IN APT CLOSE BY SO HE COULD SEE HIS BABY GIRL WHEN EVER HE WANTED. AUGIE WAS FULL OF LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY.JON AND AUGIE WERE VERY CLOSE,NOW THEIR TOGETHER .PRAISE GOD IN HEAVEN.LOVE CINDY AND JAKE.

Cynthia R Thomas - January 24, 2025 at 02:11 PM

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“ Cynthia R Thomas lit a candle in memory of August B. Thomas



Cynthia R Thomas - January 24, 2025 at 02:05 PM

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WHEN AUGIE AND DIANA CAME TO OKC,OK. TO VISIT JON IN THE HOSPITAL, AUGIE WOULD SIT RIGHT BY HIS BED WAITING ON A CONVERSATION OR TO BE QUIET. AND HE KNEW WHEN TO TELL A JOKE AND HAVE US ALL LAUGHING. AUGIE ALSO WAS GOOD TO MY SON JUSTIN. WHEN JON WAS ALIVE HE WOULD CALL MY SON IN L.A.AND ENCOURAGE HIM TO KEEP ON GOING. I LOVED ALL HIS JEWERAL,AND HIS CAR. IN MY PRAYERS, CINDY.

Cynthia R Thomas - January 24, 2025 at 02:17 PM

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“ SENDING HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO AUGIES FAMILY. MOSTLY HIS BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER CHRISTI.I WAS AUGIES DAUGHTER IN LAW FOR 45 YEARS. HE WAS ALWAYS FUNNY. AND JON AND HIM WOULD TALK EVERY DAY WITH A CUP OF COFFEE STARTING OFF THE DAY RIGHT. AUGIE WAS A BIG STRONG SHOULDER TO LEAN ON, AND IT WAS COMFORTABLE AND HE WOULD TALK GENTELY TO YOU MAKING IT ALL BETTER. I KNOW JON,ZOTA AND BURT ARE EXCITED.AND WHEN HE DOES GET BURIED HE'LL BE BY THEM.JON'S NEXT TO HIS MOM.AUGIE IS MISSED VERY MUCH WITH ME AND WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY PRAYERS WITH HIS BROTHER JON EVERY NIGHT. LOVE CINDY AND JAKE.

Cynthia R Thomas - January 24, 2025 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Sending heartfelt sympathy to Augie’s family. We both graduated class of 66. I have fond memories of Augie as he was a gentleman but also could be a stinker with his quick wit. He will be missed.*

Sue Roper Mashburn - January 21, 2025 at 10:05 PM

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“ *I'd like to express my heartfelt sympathy to Angie's family. I first met him at the go-kart track that my uncle Bill Welch and his wife Carol owned. We worked there together and went to CTHS. Both graduated in 66. Loved his sense of humor. Always a pleasure to be around.*

Terry Hasenfuss - January 19, 2025 at 04:36 PM