



## Joseph Alan Thomas

March 29, 1977 - January 7, 2024

Conway, SC

Mr. Joseph Alan "Joey" Thomas, 46, passed away Sunday, January 7, 2024 at Conway Medical Center following a brief onset illness.

Born March 29, 1977 in Conway, Joey was the son of Ken and Brenda Thomas. He was a director for the SC Vocational Rehabilitation Commission for more than 12 years and was also a member of the Conway Lions Club. He suffered a debilitating fall at the age of 15 while rock climbing but persevered to live a successful and fulfilling life, touching countless people along his life's journey.

He was active in the local Republican party and was always willing to take up a cause, and he never learned to take no for an answer. He cherished his grandmother Allene and loved to joke with his grandfather Henry. He and his parents went on several cruises and Ken and Joey went to 2 Guns and Roses concerts. He was an avid Nascar fan and Rusty Wallace was his favorite driver. He met a couple of sitting Presidents, actor Christopher Reeve, the Atlanta Braves team, and has a football signed by Coach Lou Holtz from his Alma Mater, USC.

Joey was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Henry S. and Allene

Hearl Thomas, and his maternal grandparents of Columbia, Hampton and Ona B. Kelley.

Survivors include his parents of the home; his brother, Mike Thomas and wife Sandi; his niece, Jessica Reber and husband Max; and his nephews, Hampton Thomas and Jake Thomas.

A Memorial Service to honor Joey's life will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at New El Bethel United Methodist Church.

Please sign the online guest register at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com) <<http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>>

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, is serving the family.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

New El Bethel United Methodist Church  
2811 Church St  
Conway, SC 29526  
(843) 353-1938

# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Alan Thomas.*



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January 27, 2024 at 07:37 AM



“ *The Mawhinney Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Alan Thomas.*

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**The Mawhinney Family** - January 27, 2024 at 07:37 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Alan Thomas.*



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January 26, 2024 at 06:00 PM



“ *Joey was a special young man . I always enjoyed seeing him , he brightened my day. He had a great attitude and sense of humor. He will be missed.  
Terry Grainger*



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**Terry Grainger** - January 22, 2024 at 03:53 PM

RB

“ *Joey was a very special individual. He will be deeply missed.* ”



Reese Boyd - January 19, 2024 at 09:41 AM

RS

“ *Rhonda Sanders-Butler lit a candle in memory of Joseph Alan Thomas* ”



Rhonda Sanders-Butler - January 13, 2024 at 03:06 PM

YB

“ *Yolanda Brown lit a candle in memory of Joseph Alan Thomas* ”



Yolanda Brown - January 13, 2024 at 04:51 AM

YB

*Words cannot express how I am feeling right now. Just know that you brought so much joy to my kids, grand kids, and my life. You will be greatly missed. I always call you my brother from another mother. Brenda and Ken, if you need anything from me do not hesitate to call me. I am just a phone call away. I love you guys!*

Yolanda Brown - January 13, 2024 at 05:02 AM

SM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Thomas family. I took care of Joey for 3 years at his home. He had a sense of humor making me laugh. Most days we had a good time. I retired 2 years ago but we stayed in touch calling each other. Always checking to see what's new going on. We spoke late fall and we were due for a holiday phone call . I'm sad I didn't get to talk with him again! You definitely will be missed, Joey  
Love Sue Meyers

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**Susan Meyers** - January 12, 2024 at 02:39 PM

GO

“ Oliver's Restaurant, Inc.



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**George Oliver** - January 11, 2024 at 11:39 AM

PH

“ Joey was a unique and special person. He was such an inspiration to me (Roger) when I sustained my spinal cord injury in 2020. We are sorry to hear of his passing. We pray for comfort and peace to the family.  
Roger and Phyllis Hoover

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**Phyllis Hoover** - January 10, 2024 at 11:00 AM

DS

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to this wonderful family. Joey was a wonderful man and will be greatly missed.

Doc Smith

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**Doc Smith** - January 09, 2024 at 11:40 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Alan Thomas.*



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January 09, 2024 at 11:05 PM



“ *Kay And Dennis lit a candle in memory of Joseph Alan Thomas*



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**Kay and Dennis** - January 09, 2024 at 09:04 PM



*Joey was an inspiration to many. His determination, attitude and sense of humor were something to be admired. Ken and Brenda, you both are greatly admired as well. Love Hugs and many Prayer to all the Thomas Family  
KLMNOP as Joey called me 😍 aka Kay Graham*

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**Kay Graham Dennis Graham** - January 09, 2024 at 09:14 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Thomas family. Ken, Brenda, Mike and Jeffrey, we hope that God gives you peace.*

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**Ann Viverette Shearin** - January 09, 2024 at 07:19 PM

TR

“ Thoughts and prayers Thomas Family



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**Tracy** - January 09, 2024 at 03:35 PM

DC

“ Joey was a good dude. Always enjoyed cutting up with him in school. He really inspired a lot of people with his determination despite his limitations. Sending my condolences to the Thomas family. ❤️ ☐



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**Diane Cooper** - January 09, 2024 at 03:21 PM

MF

“ Praying for this wonderful family. Joey was such a wonderful man with a wonderful family.

*Mitchell & Tammy Frye*

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**Mitchell Frye** - January 09, 2024 at 11:52 AM

TH

“ Praying God will give you peace and comfort during the difficult days ahead.



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**Tammy Howell** - January 09, 2024 at 11:07 AM

DS

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with all of the family. Joey lived his life with a lot purpose and meaning for the entire world. God bless all of you. Donna Graham Smith*



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**Donna Graham Smith** - January 09, 2024 at 10:53 AM

FE

“ *Joey was a pleasure to know and will be greatly missed. Keeping the family in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Felicia** - January 09, 2024 at 10:20 AM

TM

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Joey's passing. You are all in my prayers. -- Tina Dittbenner Morgan*

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**Tina Morgan** - January 09, 2024 at 08:16 AM

DT

“ *Dorothy Todd lit a candle in memory of Joseph Alan Thomas*



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**Dorothy Todd** - January 09, 2024 at 12:20 AM

DT

*So sorry for your loss..Prayers for comfort..*

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**Dorothy Todd** - January 09, 2024 at 12:21 AM

NC

*Joey was a bright light in high school. Always sharing a smile with everyone. Prayers for his family.*

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**Natalie Jordan Cooper** - January 09, 2024 at 03:19 PM

KE

“ *Joey will be greatly missed. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time.* ”



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**Keri** - January 08, 2024 at 08:11 PM