



## Dawn Kurtz Thomas

November 23, 1969 - June 13, 2014

Dawn Kurtz Thomas

Warrenville, SC—The Visitation for Ms. Dawn Kurtz Thomas, 44, of Warrenville, SC, who entered into rest June 13, 2014, will be conducted at Posey Funeral Directors Wednesday evening from 5 until 7.

Ms. Thomas was a native of Oscoda, Michigan, having made Aiken County her home for the past 18 years. She was a member of the Lutheran Church and Chi Sigma Iota. Ms. Thomas was a graduate of the University of Phoenix and pursuing a Masters Degree from Georgia Regents University. She was employed by the South Carolina Autism Society.

Survivors include two sons, Collan Thomas and Scott Thomas both of Warrenville; parents, Gerald and Geraldine Kurtz, Thomasville, Georgia; three brothers, Donald Kurtz, Thomasville, Georgia, James (Stephanie) Kurtz, Las Vegas, Nevada and Michael Kurtz, Jackson, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the South Carolina Autism Society, 806 12th Street, West Columbia, SC 29169.

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803-278-1181). Visit the registry online at [www.poseycares.com](http://www.poseycares.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dawn Kurtz Thomas*

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Dawn Kurtz Thomas*

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *We are so saddened to learn of Dawn's tragic death. We are thankful that Dawn had such a positive impact in her work with the Autism Society. I know she will be sorely missed by her clients. She leaves a huge void in the lives of her sons and extended family. We pray that God will look over her family and help guide them as they care for Collan and Scott.*

*Debbie and Wallace Goodman*

**Debbie and Wallace Goodman** - June 22, 2014 at 07:32 AM



“ *It hurts to know that I lost a true friend, advocate, and mentor, not just for me; but for so many families. Even though we met through work, Dawn & I never had a 9-5 job and I will miss our late phone calls. I miss her. I pray for peace and understand for the family during this difficult time. Dawn will be greatly missed. With a hurt heart, Felicia K. Jackson*

**Felicia K. Jackson** - June 19, 2014 at 07:23 PM

LL

“ I am so sorry to hear about Dawn's passing away. She was a great advocate for a wonderful cause! May God bless and be with Collan, Scott, and the rest of the family.

*Leah Lewis  
Millbrook Elementary School*

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**Leah Lewis** - June 18, 2014 at 09:01 PM

MZ

“ I was shocked to hear of Dawn's passing. She not only was an advocate for her son but also for many other autistic children and their parents. Heartfelt prayers for her sons and family. She will be missed.

*Marlene Zapp  
Retired Speech Therapist from Millbrook Elementary School*

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**Marlene Zapp** - June 18, 2014 at 08:42 PM

MG

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Dawn. My prayers going out to her sons. God Bless both of you.

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**Michelle Goings** - June 18, 2014 at 08:02 PM

BH

“ I will miss Dawn so much. Not only was she my parent mentor, but she was also my friend. She talked me through many situations for which I will be forever grateful. The autism community has lost a warrior. Prayers are sent to her family. She will be missed.

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**Becky Hughes** - June 18, 2014 at 10:56 AM

SK

“ I got to know Dawn when she & went through Partners in Policymaking together. Though we lived in different areas of the state, we shared several bonds -- moms of children with autism, PIP, autism advocates. Though she's gone too soon, she made a difference, and her influence and memory will live for many years to come.

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**Susan Kastner** - June 17, 2014 at 10:11 PM

DB

“ You will forever be missed Dawn... You had the sweetest personality and your light shined on everyone you came in contact with. God shared you with us for a little while....

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**Deborah Burnett** - June 17, 2014 at 10:08 PM

DW

“ Thank you for lighting our lives, Dawn. Your light shines on in the hearts of the multitudes who have loved you. Dr. Wheat



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**Dr. Laura S. Wheat** - June 17, 2014 at 08:11 PM

BK

“ Dawn was our advocate when my son Brady was first diagnosed with autism. She helped me navigate through very uncharted territory. Selflessly, I might add. A weath of knowledge and information, caring and understanding. I will very much miss her.  
- Beth Kidwell

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**Beth Kidwell** - June 17, 2014 at 01:12 PM

SC

“ We were coworkers of Dawn. Words cannot express our sorrow. The office won't be the same without her. We are keeping her sons and entire family and friends in our thoughts and prayers. May God wrap his arms around you during this difficult time. - Vickie Stowe - SC Autism Society

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**SCAS** - June 17, 2014 at 01:06 PM

DB

“ Dawn was like another daughter to me and she will be and is greatly missed.

*I asked my own daughter to add these photos here to let "The Kurtz Family" know that she will always be remembered and my sympathies are with them.*

*Dawn is now dancing my own son, Stephen, whom she helped so much when he was very ill with cancer. Rest in peace, dear child.*



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**Doris Barker** - June 16, 2014 at 09:49 PM

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“ On behalf of "Rockin' & Ridin' for Autism," of which Dawn was a founding member, we all offer our deepest sympathy.

*Her loss is one that will truly devastate the "Autism Community" and we shall NEVER forget her love and dedication, not only to her own two sons, but to ALL those living on the "Autism Spectrum."*

*Fly high with God's angels, as we're sure you are indeed doing now...*



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"Rockin' & Ridin' for Autism" - June 16, 2014 at 09:35 PM

BT

“ Dawn was an advocate for my child ,u could see the compassion and love she had for our children with special needs. I want to send my deepest condolences to her family and children. Sending love and prayers...I'm so sorry for your loss.

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Barbara tindall - June 16, 2014 at 09:24 PM

DS

“ Dawn was a wonderful soul and her love and devotion to her children was transparent. Also, her advocacy for her own child and others with special needs was not only her job, but her purpose in life. And most likely in death. I'm sure Dawn will continue watching out for those children on the spectrum here on earth from her place in heaven. Love ya Dawn. And Rest in Peace. Denice Stout - your friend forever.

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denice stout - June 16, 2014 at 07:16 PM

LH

“ My dearest "family," Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz, my heart is simply broken and I am deeply devastated over the loss of my dear, sweet friend, Dawn.



You, "our" boys, family and friends shall be in my prayers.

I am here should you need me or if I can do ANYTHING at all to help...

I am so VERY sorry for your loss, as I sit here and weep.

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**Lisanne Harrell-Walke** - June 16, 2014 at 07:13 PM

JO

“ Sara and I send our most sincere condolences to the family of Dawn. Jerry & Gerry our thoughts and prayers go with you and the entire family as you go through this most sad and difficult time. God Bless

John & Sara Ogburn - 1 minute ago

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**John** - June 16, 2014 at 06:47 PM

HS

“ I send my sincere condolences to your family. Dawn has touched so many people's lives with her advocacy for our children living with autism. I feel very fortunate to have known her. She will truly be missed.

Sincerely, Heather Shuler

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**Heather Shuler** - June 16, 2014 at 06:10 PM

JR

“ To the family. I pray for peace for you and the grief you are experiencing. Collan is a very special child to me. Sincerely, joy roberson

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**joy roberson** - June 16, 2014 at 05:50 PM

JO

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**John & Sara Ogburn** - June 16, 2014 at 06:44 PM

JS

Our thoughts and prayers are with Dawn's family and friends during this most difficult time. We are sending special prayers heavenward for her sons. Jerry and Gerry, please let us know if you need anything at all. May God bless you all.

*Jim and Pat Scott*

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**James and Pat Scott** - June 17, 2014 at 03:18 PM