



## Charles Matthew Thomas

July 13, 1985 - May 18, 2016

Charles Matthew Thomas

Age 30, of Custer Park, IL, passed away Wednesday, May 18, 2016 in Chicago, IL. Born July 13, 1985 in Oak Lawn, IL.

Surviving are his parents, Sylvia (Winchell) and Dale Staniec of Custer Park and Charles L. Thomas of Lockport, IL; daughter, Angeliah Thomas of Custer Park; two sisters, Julia Thomas and Nora Thomas, both of Lockport; and grandparents, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, Thursday, May 26, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 12:00 p.m.

Interment will be private in Fairmount-Willow Hills Memorial Park in Willow Springs, IL.

For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

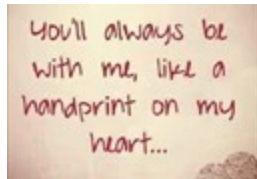
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# Tribute Wall

SS

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Sylvia staniec - March 16, 2022 at 04:38 AM

KT

“ A part of you is at rest, but a part of you will forever live on.

💙 We miss and celebrate you more than you know. Forever loving you!



Kim Thomas - April 15, 2021 at 02:59 PM

SS

“ I think of you daily and miss you more than you will ever know. My life without you is not complete. I hold close thoughts and memories that only you and I share. Until we meet again. Love Mom.



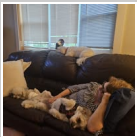
Sylvia Staniec - October 09, 2020 at 10:50 PM

KI

“ I carry your story on daily, and know you'd be watching. Even though we know you are more than a number, today you became an entered statistic!! I will do anything to fight the war on drugs!



kim - April 01, 2017 at 09:18 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sylvia Staniec - March 30, 2017 at 01:56 PM

KT

“ New Years Eve just was not the same with out you!! I hope you rest in peace up there, and know how often you are thought about. Your hearts all over the world.... <3



Kimberly Thomas - January 02, 2017 at 09:57 PM

AT

“ *Angeliah Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*

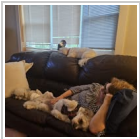


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**Angeliah Thomas** - December 10, 2016 at 12:17 PM

SS

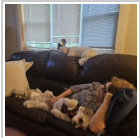
*The most important person in the world to your daddy. He loved you with all his heart and soul. His Angel.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - October 09, 2020 at 10:51 PM



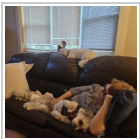
“ *David Winchell was added to the Family Tree.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 09, 2016 at 12:40 AM



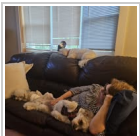
“ *Sherrie Jensen was added to the Family Tree.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 09, 2016 at 12:31 AM



“ *David Winchell was added to the Family Tree.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 09, 2016 at 12:29 AM

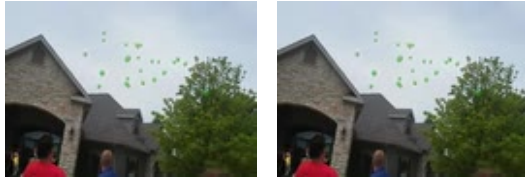


“ *Jessica Winchell was added to the Family Tree.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 09, 2016 at 12:25 AM

SS

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - June 08, 2016 at 11:58 PM

AN

“ *Sylvia I am so sorry to hear of your loss may God give you the strength and comfort you need to get you through your hardest days. You and your family will continue to be in our prayers. Angela and Rodney Ridgley*

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**Angela** - June 04, 2016 at 11:11 PM

SS

*Thank you for your prayers Angeliah. We have prayed so many prayers together for our children. I appreciate your prayers for strength as you know how very difficult it is.*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 08, 2016 at 11:28 PM

SS

*sorry, Angela*

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**Sylvia Staniec** - June 08, 2016 at 11:29 PM

SS

“ I love you Chuck and my heart is broken. I miss you every minute of every day. I remind myself that you were so hurting and so broken that I would not bring you back if I could because you are with Jesus now and there in heaven you have no sadness, no despair, no discomfort, no depression, and no addiction. Your only craving is to worship Jesus, you walk on golden streets, you sing with the angels, and you are waiting for me. "Save a place for me, Save some space for me - I'll be there soon". I will finish what I started with Angeliah, what I promised you that I would do and I will take the best care that I can of her for the rest of my life. But when I am finished here I look forward to seeing you Chuck. After I see Jesus I will look for you and you remember too "look for me, for I will be there too". I love you son and I am so proud of you. You fought a tough battle that most of us cannot understand but you fought it always, you fought so very hard. Now you rest. Rest and find peace in Jesus for he is the very Prince of Peace and he will take wonderful care of you. I love you son.....Always have....Always will.

*You are my Sunshine, my only Sunshine, you make me happy,  
when skies are gray, you'll never know dear, how much I love you,  
Please don't take my Sunshine away.*

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - June 02, 2016 at 01:39 AM

SS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Sylvia D Staniec** - June 02, 2016 at 01:29 AM

C'

“ Chuck was an amazing guy all through highschool to adulthood. We were friends since freshmen year just not close til he found me on Facebook a few years ago an was a stitch ,a joy an hilarious goofy guy who had dreams an goals to accomplish even though he struggled through so much in life. He enjoyed talking to me an venting out his problems an i did what anyone would do was listen an be his guide to be a better man for his daughter. He is up there not in pain an he was afraid to ask for help from anyone he was strong willed an stubborn at times. He was just a joy to be his good friend for so many years. I will miss his texts an facebook posts being goofy I am so very sorry to his family for his loss. He was one amazing guy ,friend anyone could have .



Catherine Esposito Class of '03 - May 28, 2016 at 10:34 PM

SS

Thank you so much Catherine for sharing your memories of Chuckie.

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 02:51 PM

T(

“ Chuck was a great guy and an awesome friend, always willing to help anyone who needed it. U will be greatly missed chuck. :(

Tabatha Mylchreest (carlson) - May 28, 2016 at 01:47 PM

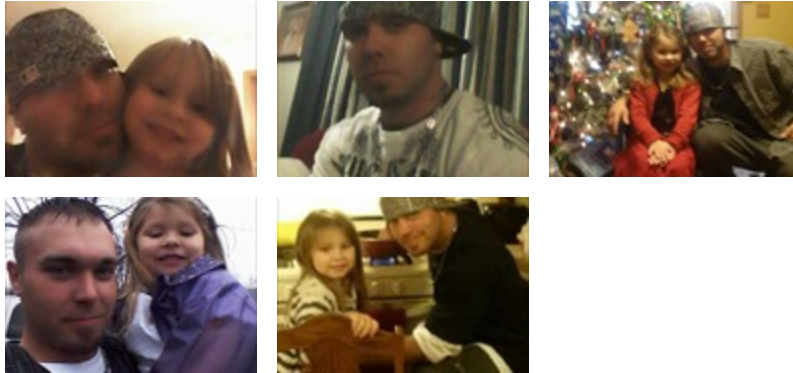
SS

Thank you Tabatha for your sweet comment.

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 02:53 PM

SS

“ 29 files added to the album New Album Name



Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:33 AM

Jessica Ondack

“ I'm so heartbroken by the loss of chucky. My heart goes out to his mom and daughter hope your watching out for us from heaven my sunshine.



Jessica Ondack - May 27, 2016 at 03:46 PM

SS

Thank you Jessica for your concern for myself and Angeliah. There will always be a hole in our hearts that only Chuckie could feel.

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 02:58 PM



“ Crystal Stone Miller lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas



Crystal Stone Miller - May 27, 2016 at 03:05 PM



*Prayers to Thomas Family.*

**Crystal Stone Miller** - May 27, 2016 at 03:06 PM



*Thank you Crystal - Sylvia (Chuck's Mom)*

**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 10:57 AM



“ *Jenny lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*



**Jenny** - May 27, 2016 at 02:55 PM



“ *Cassandra Kelsey lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*



**Cassandra Kelsey** - May 27, 2016 at 02:20 PM



“ *I'm sorry for your loss*

**Neil** - May 27, 2016 at 01:03 PM



*Thank you.*

**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 31, 2016 at 03:00 PM

SS

*Hi Neil. Thank you for your comment. How did you know Chuck?*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:04 PM

JE

*“ I have many good memories of chucky .. How he taught me how to play Hacky Sack, HE would pretend to lose dizzy dizzy dinosaur so I Could win, our fun xmas with Grandma Sandy . The time he tried to help me convince Grandma Sandy into letting me get an iguana. One xmas I Got a barbie corvette and he got tons of action figures and i convinced him to let me put his new action figures in my barbie corvette and he just played along ... He had such a good heart and was an amazing person... love you chucky ill never forget the childhood memories we had together ♡♡♡love cousin Jenny Thomas*

Jenny - May 27, 2016 at 12:52 PM

SS

*Thank you so very much Jennifer for sharing your wonderful memories of Chuckie. He was such a very wonderful person and your memories made me laugh and made me cry. Thank you so much for sharing them. Love, Aunt Sylvia*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:03 PM

JL

*“ i first met chuck when i was like 15 yrs old, on the bus going to argo h.s. i didnt really know to many people and when i met chuck that first day he kinda took me under his wing and inteoduced me to everyone, alot of whom im still friends with to this day. he was a caring, smart, fun, big hearted guy. give ya the shirt off his back if you needed it kinda guy. the world will be a lesser place without you. condolences to all of his family and loved ones. we will not let his memory ever be forgotten. R.I.P. brother. your in a better happier place now.*

Jimmy Lowing - May 27, 2016 at 12:36 PM

SS

*Thank you so very much Jimmy for sharing your memories of Chuck. You pegged him right, he would do anything for anyone and even when he didn't have anything he would give someone in need anything that he did have.*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:08 PM

AJ

“ *From the first time I saw him, Chuck always had a special place in my heart. He had a loving and generous heart and his beautiful smile is now shines on his daughter's sweet face. I have many happy memories of Chuck from the times he visited us as a little tyke to play with his buddy Paul, or when he stayed with us and went tubing on the lake for the first time, but my most precious memories are the times he said, "I love you Aunt Joan." We will miss him always until we meet in heaven where there is no more sorrow or pain.*

Aunt Joan - May 27, 2016 at 12:21 PM

SS

*Thank you Aunt Joan for sharing your memories. Chuckie really loved your family.*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:10 PM

CK

“ *Chuck was a great guy and friend. He will truly be missed.*



Cassandra Kelsey - May 27, 2016 at 12:07 PM

SS

*Thank you Cassandra*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:19 PM

JS

“ Jackie Staniec lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas



Jackie Staniec - May 27, 2016 at 11:33 AM

JS

*i will miss our little talks, i will miss seeing your smile but most of all i will miss you =( i love you chuck and i am grateful that we were able to become as close as we have the past year you will always be a brother to me and i will always be your "sis" i will miss seeing you pop on my facebook or reading your messages asking me what your brother did now and if you have to beat him up lol. Rest now chuck you can finally rest.. please look over your mom and just be with her chuck she needs you.*

Jackie Staniec - May 27, 2016 at 11:36 AM

SS

*Thank you Jackie. Love Sylvia*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 10:58 AM

SS

*Thank you so much for your message Jackie.*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:22 PM

RA

“ *I will never forget all the fun times we had I wish we could have meet up again guess I'll see you in the sky you will always be in my heart and i never forgot you.*



Rachel - May 27, 2016 at 11:22 AM

SS

*Thank you Rachel.*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 31, 2016 at 03:22 PM

KA

“ *Chuck was a really good friend to me and was always there when I need help. I will miss him dearly. I hope all the people who knew him will stay strong. Love you my friend*



Kyle Annear - May 27, 2016 at 10:47 AM

SS

*Thank you Kyle for your post. Chuck was a person of that caliber. He loved to help others and i proud to hear that he helped you. Sylvia (Chuck's mom.*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 10:59 AM



“ *Chuck was a really great guy. My heart and prayers are with his family. I am so very sorry for your loss.*



Samantha Dowling - May 26, 2016 at 09:03 PM

SS

*Thank you Samantha for your prayers. Love Sylvia (Chuck's Mom)*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:00 AM

PB

“ *Pamela & Mary Blaylock lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*



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**Pamela & Mary Blaylock** - May 26, 2016 at 05:30 PM

PA

*Our heart and Prayers go out to the Family during this difficult time.*

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**Pamela** - May 26, 2016 at 05:32 PM

SS

*Thank you Pam for lifting us up in prayer. Love Sylvia*

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 11:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Matthew Thomas.*



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May 26, 2016 at 01:06 PM

GW

“ I have many memories of Chuckie, but one of my favorite ones is when he helped me put a new roof on our garage. He was about 10 years old. I showed him how to nail the shingles down and he was doing a pretty good job of it, and then he hit his thumb. He didn't cry. He just said, "That's it. I'm going in the house." I said, "I understand." In about 10 minutes, I heard the ladder rattle and there he was nailing shingles down again.

Then he hit his thumb again, and once again said, "That's it! I'm going in the house!"

About 10 minutes later, he came back and started shingling the roof again, until, of course, he hit his thumb again and said, "That's it! I'm going in the house!"

That was repeated several more times, and each and every time he came back. At the end of the day, we had a new roof on the garage, put on by a proud grandpa and a 10 year old boy with a very sore thumb who wouldn't quit, even though it hurt.

God bless you, Chuckie.

Grandpa Dave

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**Grandpa David Winchell** - May 25, 2016 at 10:24 PM

SS

Thank you for sharing your fond memory Dad. Love Sylvia

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 11:02 AM

JW

“ On July 13, 1985, a beautiful baby was born into our family. Our first grandchild, a little boy, Chuckie.

We were so proud of him. He was always sweet, smart and animated. He learned so fast and had an extraordinary memory. He had muscles like his dad and loved to work on construction projects with his Grandpa and muscle training workouts in the garage with Grandpa, too.

We would pretend sword fight with sticks in the yard, bounce balls off the roof, much to Grandpa's dismay, and go swimming in the pool early in the morning. He went on vacation with us to Missouri, Wisconsin Dells, and camping in Kankakee.

Everywhere I look in our home, I have a memory of that little boy. He brought us so much joy!

Then he gave us our very first great-grandchild, a little girl, Angeliah, and what a blessing she is.

We grieve for Chuckie today. Our hearts are broken at such a loss. We will never forget you, Chuckie.

*Grandpa and Grandma Winchell*

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**Jessica Winchell** - May 25, 2016 at 10:01 PM

 Tony Zaleski Jr.

Oh my fuckin god!!! My condolences to the family from mine. I am at a total loss for words..... 😭

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**Tony Zaleski Jr.** - May 27, 2016 at 11:31 PM

SS

Thank you for sharing your memories Mom. Lifting you up in prayer as we grieve together. Love you - Sylvia

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 11:04 AM

SH

“ My condolences to the family. Chuckie was loved by everyone he knew. I remember when Sylvia bought him home from the hospital. He was the cutest baby I've seen. Always had a smile on his face when I would see him at his grandparents home. You will be missed Chuckie. R.I.P Your in Gods home now.



Sheila - May 25, 2016 at 08:06 PM

SS

Thank you Sheila - Love Sylvia

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:04 AM

TB

“ Tracy Baker lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas



Tracy Baker - May 25, 2016 at 01:43 PM

TB

I am so sorry to hear of Chuckie's passing I wish there was more that I could do he was such a sweet young man and yall will be in my thoughts and prayers .

Tracy Baker - May 25, 2016 at 01:46 PM

SS

Thank you Sheila for your concern and sweet words. and most of all your prayers. Love, Sylvia

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:05 AM

SS

*Thank you Tracy for your prayers.*

Sylvia D Staniec - June 02, 2016 at 01:25 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Matthew Thomas.*



May 25, 2016 at 09:14 AM

SJ

“ *Chuckie was a strong, sweet, kind person. I have so many fun memories of him when he was younger. My favorite one is me and him, (he was dressed as a mini Santa) dropping off Christmas gifts for mom in the neighborhood. He was so excited to do it and everyone LOVED him!! He was full of energy and was so smart! I know that no one understands when life is ended so abruptly at such a young age. It makes me feel angry and sad and helpless. So I am praying for peace and comfort for all of us who loved Chuckie and will miss him so much.*



Sherrie Jensen - May 24, 2016 at 10:27 PM

SS

*Thank you so much for your post Sherrie. Chuckie loved you and I feel all of those same emotions you are feeling. We will lift each other up as we're grieving together, in prayer, in time, in hugs, and in love. I love you BRAT! Sylvia*

Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:07 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Charles Matthew Thomas.*



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May 24, 2016 at 09:12 PM



“ *David C. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Charles Matthew Thomas.*



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David C. - May 24, 2016 at 05:43 PM



“ *Paul And Judy Poppleton lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*



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Paul and Judy Poppleton - May 24, 2016 at 04:20 PM



*Thank you Paul and Judy for coming to the service. I live you up in prayer as you lift me. Thank you. Sylvia*

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Sylvia D Staniec - May 28, 2016 at 11:08 AM

OC

“ *Olin Corporation Joliet Facility, Joe & Crew purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Charles Matthew Thomas.*



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**Olin Corporation Joliet Facility, Joe & Crew** - May 24, 2016 at 01:12 PM

DB

“ *Dana Brennan lit a candle in memory of Charles Matthew Thomas*



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**Dana Brennan** - May 23, 2016 at 10:30 PM

SS

*Thank you Dana. Love you.*

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 11:08 AM

DB

“ *Chucky was a kind, gentle, soul. He was smart and caring and hard working and kind. And I am happy that God blessed us to have him as part of our family. He was loved by all who knew him and will be deeply missed. We grieve for him now but are thankful that he is at peace and rest in the promise that someday we will be reunited in heaven with Chucky thanks to the Lord whose mercies are new every morning. Our deepest condolences to the family and prayers that the Lord will bring you comfort during the weeks to come.*

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**Dana Brennan** - May 23, 2016 at 10:30 PM

SS

*Thank you Dana for your sweet words of encouragement and your beautiful memories of Chuck's beautiful caring heart. Thank you most for your prayers of support and for reminding me that we will see Chuck again someday. that's what my heart longs for. Love you, Sylvia*

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**Sylvia D Staniec** - May 28, 2016 at 11:10 AM