



Judy Williamson Thye

January 12, 1961 - May 10, 2026

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Sweet Judy... Judy was known for her warm and genuine smile, compassionate heart, and beautiful blue eyes. Her true beauty was the love she held in her heart for those who knew her. On the morning of Mother's Day, May 10, 2026, Judith (Judy) Lynn Williamson Thye passed away peacefully at home in Lakeland, FL, with her loving husband Scott by her side. Judy died with peace in her heart, knowing that she was going to a loving God in Heaven.

Judy was 65 years old. She was looking forward to seeing dear ones who had passed before her. She was born in 1961 to the late Isaac Blanton Williamson, Sr. and Jewell Pickering Williamson Riley of Birmingham, AL. Her brother, Isaac Blanton Williamson, Jr., and father of 26 years, Hobson Rudolphus (Rudy) Riley, also preceded her in death.

Judy's greatest treasure was her family. She will be dearly missed by her husband of 43 years, Scott Randall Thye; daughters and sons-in-law, Loren Jessica Thye Haley (Bryant) and Lindsey Judith Thye Franson (Timothy); grandchildren, Lilian Judith Franson and Thomas Carl Franson, all of

Lakeland, FL; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Judy can be best described as loving and lovable. She was a Southern lady who always liked to look her best and be her best, which was being gracious and compassionate to everyone she met. She truly enjoyed spending time with people, gardening, trips to the beach, time with her dogs, and above all else, time spent with family.

Judy was a graduate of Vestavia Hills High School in Vestavia Hills, AL; Auburn University in Auburn, AL (1983); and earned a Master's degree from the University of South Florida in Tampa, FL (2007). She served as a social worker at the Salvation Army in downtown Baltimore, MD, and later as the Director of Mother's Day Out at Forcey Memorial Church in Silver Spring, MD. Judy was later employed by Hope Hospice, Good Shepherd Hospice, and Cornerstone Hospice as a grief counselor, where she also served as a volunteer coordinator and bereavement group counselor throughout Central Florida. Judy's biggest achievements are not what she did, but rather how she treated others. Judy left an indelible imprint of love on the hearts of those who knew her.

Service Information:

Visitation will be at Shepherd Road Presbyterian Church, 1217 Shepherd Road, Lakeland, FL, on Thursday, May 14, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM, followed by funeral services at 11:00 AM. Graveside services to follow at Oak Hill Burial Park, 4620 US Highway 98 South, Lakeland, FL. Whether through the beauty of flowers or a gift to Shepherd Road Presbyterian Church, the family is grateful for your expressions of sympathy.

Arrangements by Gentry Morrison Funeral Homes, Southside Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Burial Park

4620 US Highway 98 S
Lakeland, FL 33812

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd Road Presbyterian Church
1217 Shepherd Road
Lakeland , FL 33811

Funeral Service

MAY **14.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd Road Presbyterian Church
1217 Shepherd Rd
Lakeland, FL

Tribute Wall



“ Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Judy Williamson Thye



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - May 12 at 08:56 PM

CT

“ Sweet Judy is right. She was a dear friend to me at Auburn, & I'm so happy that I got to be a part of her life during that time; as well as witness her marriage to Scott at that lovely, historic church in Birmingham. Even as a young woman, Judy's consistent kindness and gentle wisdom set her apart, she was truly beautiful inside and out.

Connie Thomas - May 16 at 04:55 PM

SS

“ Susan S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Williamson Thye.

Susan S. - May 14 at 10:30 AM

FF

“ From Randy J, Kathy S, David J & family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



From Randy J, Kathy S, David J & family - May 13 at 08:07 PM

FF

“ From Randy J, Kathy S, David J & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Williamson Thye.

From Randy J, Kathy S, David J & family - May 13 at 08:07 PM

BD

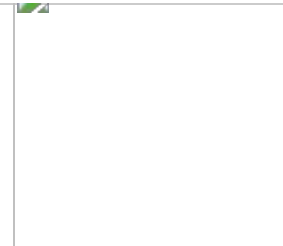
“ Betty & Souk Detsouvanh purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



Betty & Souk Detsouvanh - May 13 at 07:26 PM

S

“ Susan Sutton lit a candle in memory of Judy Williamson Thye



Susan Sutton - May 13 at 03:53 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.*



May 13 at 02:04 AM



“ *Engel Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.*



Engel Family - May 13 at 12:43 AM



“ *Butch and Bobbie Winslow purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.*



Butch and Bobbie Winslow - May 12 at 01:51 AM

P

“ I had the privilege of being Judy's friend for many years. We met in fourth grade, had so many fun memories all through high school and were in each other's wedding's,etc. Her friendship was truly a priceless gift that I will always treasure in my heart. I will miss her more than words can express but take comfort in the knowledge that she is with Jesus and will have no more pain and suffering. Her loyalty to her friends, compassion, and genuine concern for others is a gift she shared with many. She was very beautiful - both inside and out. Her legacy will live on in her precious daughters. I am so grateful for the outstanding way Scott, the girls, and many others have taken care of her through this difficult journey. It is a reflection of her family's love for her and the many admirable qualities she taught her daughters. Until we meet again dear friend, Susie Hines Sutton

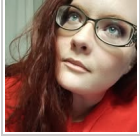


Palma Smiley Early Childhood Curriculum - May 12 at 12:56 AM

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Susie, Judy, and Liz

Palma Smiley Early Childhood Curriculum - May 12 at 01:08 AM



“ Mrs Thye was an amazing woman! I am a friend of her daughter, Loren. We went to school together and Girl Scouts as well. Mrs Thye was always *THAT* mom who went above and beyond. She was always there with a beautiful smile and a "let's go girls" attitude. There were many sleep over nights where she would always make us food to nibble on, talk with us about anything and everything and just be present with us. She had such a welcoming spirit and was loved dearly. You will be missed greatly momma Thye. Rest now, in the arms of our Heavenly Father.
~Melanie Parker Goodrich

Melanie Goodrich - May 12 at 12:07 AM

CP

“ Chris and your PCA pals purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



Chris and your PCA pals - May 11 at 09:37 PM

DM

“ Danie, Frank & Monica purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



Danie, Frank & Monica - May 11 at 09:27 PM

DM

“ Danie, Frank & Monica planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Williamson Thye.

Danie, Frank & Monica - May 11 at 09:27 PM

LH

“ Love, Brenda and Don Haley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



Love, Brenda and Don Haley - May 11 at 09:09 PM

HC

“ Henkelman Construction purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Judy Williamson Thye.



Henkelman Construction - May 11 at 07:43 PM

HC

“ Henkelman Construction planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Williamson Thye.

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