



Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III

August 6, 1970 - February 4, 2025

Donald "Donnie" W. Thompson, III, of Cordova, passed away unexpectedly on February 4, 2025. He was 54.

Donnie was born on August 6, 1970, in Easton, to Donald Warren Thompson, Jr. and the late Shirley Smith Thompson.

He graduated from Queen Anne's County High School in 1988. Donnie started working for Thompson and Son Masonry while he was still in high school and continued there until 2004. He then started his own business, Thompson Ventures, an excavation business. In 2016, he became a salesman for AmeriGas. In 2017 he found his place with Queen Anne's County Sanitary District where he was their Utilities Project Manager.

In 1997, he bought a hydroplane race boat with his father and 2 close friends Derek and Chip. They raced the Batt Boat for 10+ years. During this time, he gained a 2nd family in the boat racing community. The Batt Boat went on to win many awards and championships.

Donnie was also an NRA Certified Instructor and enjoyed teaching gun safety. He was an avid shooter and gun enthusiast.

On September 30, 1995, Donnie married his best friend and love of his life, the former Arlene Haley.

Donnie is survived by his beloved wife of 29 years, Arlene Thompson; and his daughter, Haley Thompson. He is also survived by his father, Donald Thompson, Jr. of Florida, and his sister, Stephanie Thompson of Trappe, MD, nephew, Ben Litzer of Preston, MD, and nieces Maedy Litzer and Emma

Leitzer of Trappe, MD. Donnie is preceded in death by his mother, Shirley.

A celebration of Donnie's life will be held on Saturday, February 8th, 2025, at his shop in Cordova beginning at 2pm.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation in Donnie's memory to: Chesapeake College Scholarship Fund for Shirley Thompson.

Previous Events

celebration of life

FEB 8. 2:00 PM.

Donnie's Shop

Tribute Wall

TW

“ *Tim Wynne lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Tim Wynne - February 16, 2025 at 07:53 AM

SJ

“ *Scott And Becky Jones lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Scott and Becky Jones - February 13, 2025 at 02:52 PM

GS

“ *Greg & Laura Saddler lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Greg & Laura Saddler - February 09, 2025 at 09:53 PM

PH

“ *I am so sadden to hear of Donnie's passing. My heartfelt condolences to your family.*

Penny Holsberg Hope - February 09, 2025 at 08:35 PM

FW

“ Fritz Wildt lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



Fritz Wildt - February 09, 2025 at 01:10 PM

AF

“ April Minion Family lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



April Minion Family - February 08, 2025 at 10:54 AM

CS

“ It was a pleasure knowing and working with Donnie, even tho for a short time. A stand up guy.

Chad S - February 08, 2025 at 10:50 AM

CJ

“ Casey Jones lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



Casey Jones - February 08, 2025 at 10:22 AM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Doug Pierson - February 08, 2025 at 07:52 AM

LA

“ *Linda & Terry Adams lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Linda & Terry Adams - February 07, 2025 at 07:24 PM

LH

“ *Lynn Hirschauer lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Lynn Hirschauer - February 07, 2025 at 10:02 AM

JH

“ *Donnie was one of those guys that made you want to go to the office if for no other reason to find out what he was going to say that day. I can't believe how much I am going to miss him so much. 💔*

Joe Haxton - February 07, 2025 at 09:55 AM

SM

“ SCOTT & DONNA MILBY lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



SCOTT & DONNA MILBY - February 07, 2025 at 09:41 AM

LG

“ Arlene, I want to send my deepest condolences to you and your family. I am proud to say that I brought Donnie to the County family as my inspector. We worked together throughout the years before I retired and handed the reigns over to him. I was glad to call him my co-worker, but more so a dear friend. I hope in the coming days you can find some peace in knowing that he will always be with you in spirit. May God bless and I should say rest in peace, but with Donnie it is more like full throttle ahead to the next step.



Lawrence Gannon

Lawrence Gannon - February 07, 2025 at 09:13 AM

WT

“ So sorry hear about Donnie, my condolences to the Thompson Family 🙏
Wally Taylor- Delaware Brick Co.



Wally Taylor - February 07, 2025 at 08:33 AM

AD

“ *Amy Dawkins lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Amy Dawkins - February 07, 2025 at 06:28 AM

SS

“ *Sheila Spriggs lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Sheila Spriggs - February 06, 2025 at 08:47 PM

JM

“ *Arlene, Dave and I are so sorry for your loss. I am thankful that I was able to call you and Donnie friends during the boat racing years and Dave having worked with him at DPW always thought so highly of him. He will be missed for sure. Prayers to you and your family.*

Jennifer and Dave MacGlashan - February 06, 2025 at 07:18 PM

BW

“ *Bob & Sheila Willis sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Bob & Sheila Willis - February 06, 2025 at 05:13 PM

PZ

“ *Arlene, Mark and I are thinking of you during this time of your sudden loss. Truly, our hearts are hurting for you....* ”

Pamela Zepp - February 06, 2025 at 02:39 PM

ND

“ *Donnie. So sorry to hear of the loss of your son.* ”



Neil dadds - February 06, 2025 at 02:25 PM

TS

“ *Tracy Schulz lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III* ”



Tracy Schulz - February 06, 2025 at 12:36 PM

NM

“ *Nancy Morris lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III* ”



Nancy Morris - February 06, 2025 at 11:03 AM

PE

“ Jerry and I are shocked and saddened by Donny's passing. There are no words to express how sorry we are. Arlene our hearts are with you and your family.

Peg Ewancio - February 06, 2025 at 09:00 AM

EH

“ Arlene, We were so very sorry to hear of Donnie's passing! We are sending our love and hugs for you and Haley!

Eugene and Mary Ruth Higgs - February 06, 2025 at 08:36 AM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - February 05, 2025 at 10:02 PM

RP

“ Rachel Phillips lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



Rachel Phillips - February 05, 2025 at 08:41 PM

FT

“ We at QAC DPW are in disbelief of the tragic news of Donnie’s passing. He will be missed. Open arms and Hearts to Donnie’s family.
-Frankie.



Frankie Todd - February 05, 2025 at 08:16 PM

KB

“ Sending our deepest sympathy and prayers. We are so very sorry for your loss. Kelly and Kevin Bottomley

Kelly Bottomely - February 05, 2025 at 08:11 PM

TH

“ Sending my condolences and prayers to Donnie’s family. Hearing of Donnie’s passing was a total shock to us, his work family. He will be missed terribly. Rest easy my friend.

Tony Holtman - February 05, 2025 at 07:35 PM

ST

“ I am overwhelmed by the sudden passing of Donnie. I had the unique opportunity to work with him at Queen Anne County for a short period but I viewed him as one of my best friends. He was very knowledgeable and tried to convey that knowledge to me every chance he had. He was always straight forward speaking his mind which I truly appreciated. Rest in peace, good friend.

STEVEN TOMCZEWSKI - February 05, 2025 at 06:53 PM

MH

“ Our heartfelt condolences to Donnie's family and friends. Donnie was a work family friend and no matter what, he always had a great sense of humor. May he rest in eternal peace.



Mark and Tammy Hall - February 05, 2025 at 04:12 PM

RJ

“ Ronnie And Rhonda Jewell lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



Ronnie and Rhonda Jewell - February 05, 2025 at 04:03 PM

SN

“ Arlene and Haley, we send your family our deepest condolences and our sympathy-with prayers of comfort and support. I love you dearly and I hope you know your tribe of friends will be by your side always.

Stephanie Nevin-McCoy - February 05, 2025 at 03:52 PM

MT

“ MADISON THOMPSON lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III



MADISON THOMPSON - February 05, 2025 at 03:08 PM

AC

“ *One of the greatest mentors and friend I ever had. He always had my back and taught me a lot. Donnie you will be missed my friend!!*

Andrew Calabrese - February 05, 2025 at 03:05 PM

BM

“ *Bill & Marie Myers lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Bill & Marie Myers - February 05, 2025 at 03:01 PM

KM

“ *Keith Morris lit a candle in memory of Donald "Donnie" Warren Thompson III*



Keith Morris - February 05, 2025 at 02:37 PM