



## Janice A. DeThomas

April 19, 1963 - August 6, 2025

Janice A. DeThomas, age 62, of Cheswick, passed away on August 6, 2025. Born April 19, 1963, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Genevieve DeThomas.

She is survived by her caring brother, John J. DeThomas and his wife, Karen, and her loving sister, Sherry Kowalski and her husband Brian; and her cherished niece, Kelli DeThomas.

Janice dedicated her life to serving others at Mercy Behavioral Health. Her commitment to her clients was evident in the care and empathy she consistently brought to her work.

She had a creative spirit, finding joy in crafting and painting. Her cat, a cherished companion, meant the world to her and was a source of comfort and happiness.

Janice cherished the times she spent with her friends, creating memories that would last a lifetime. However, it was her trips to the Finger Lakes with her sister, Sherry, that she looked forward to the most, as they strengthened their sisterly bond.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd, 930 Center Avenue, Blawnox, PA, 15238; [www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com](http://www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com).

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HG

“ I worked with Janice at Pittsburgh Mercy. We would always run into each other in the staff kitchen, where we had a myriad of brief conversations that always made me smile. We would talk about books, travel, life, etc. Before she moved buildings, I always admired her artwork when I passed by her office. She was such a comforting presence to staff, and even more so to her clients. I was so sad to hear about her retirement and that I wasn't able to say goodbye to her. I am even more sad to hear about her passing. Sending love to her family; I am so sorry for your loss.

-Hannah

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**Hannah Gallagher** - August 20, 2025 at 08:18 AM

AB

“ I am so sorry to hear of this loss. I was Blessed to work with Janice at Pittsburgh Mercy and she was such a gentle spirit. I have a number of memories of conversations we had regarding the sincere care she had for others. So grateful for these memories. Prayers for the family and friends of this sweet woman. Ayeshah ❤️

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**Ayeshah Bulls** - August 14, 2025 at 09:06 PM

JU

“ I had the pleasure of working with Janice at Pittsburgh Mercy. To many, she was a beacon of hope and compassion. Her presence and impact will be deeply missed.

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**Justin** - August 14, 2025 at 02:50 PM

VS

“ *Janice was on my team at Pittsburgh Mercy. She was such a kind, gentle and funny soul who always had time for an encouraging word. Janice was devoted to helping her clients, and they were well aware how much she cared. So sorry she is gone so soon.*

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**Valerie Stacy** - August 14, 2025 at 12:49 PM

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“ *I had the privilege to know and work with Janice at Pittsburgh Mercy. She was such a light to her colleagues and clients alike. She gave so much care and compassion to all those around her and I always admired how she was so upbeat and spread joy, no matter what else she had going on in her life. She will be greatly missed.*

*-Chris*

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**Christopher Lu** - August 14, 2025 at 12:36 PM

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“ *I knew Janice through her work at Pittsburgh Mercy. As her colleague, I could tell how much her work meant to her. I will forever cherish our conversations, only wishing I had more with her.*

*-Nate*

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**Nate** - August 14, 2025 at 10:53 AM