



## Shannon J. Grant Caldwell

June 14, 1975 - June 9, 2023

Shannon J. Grant Caldwell, age 47, of Somerset, Kentucky passed away on Friday, June 9, 2023.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Paula Hester Caldwell; three siblings, Rodney Caldwell and wife Melissa, Shawna Sanders, Frankie Wayne Simpson; several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews; plus a host of other family and friends to mourn his passing.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Grant and Ruth Collett Caldwell; and by his brother, Jamie Caldwell.

Shannon obtained his Bachelor's degree in social work and minored in sociology. He was an advocate for people with disabilities, served on multiple counsels, and was an ambassador for Alstrom Syndrome. He figured out technology for the blind and made a difference for people with disabilities. Shannon was a kind and Godly man who loved his family very much. He was a strong and faithful Christian and knew the Bible very well. He had multiple gifts, and was a gifted preacher. He was also very humorous, loved to joke around and bring joy to others.

Funeral services for Shannon J. Grant Caldwell will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel of House-Rawlings Funeral

Home with David Altizer and Earl Caudill officiating. Burial will follow at Nolan Estep Cemetery in Roark, Kentucky. The family will receive friends on Monday, June 12, 2023 beginning at 11:00 a.m. until the funeral hour also at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that donations be made to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses. Contributions may be made in person, by phone, by mail or through the following link:

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=2S8RLV996NSDW](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=2S8RLV996NSDW)

The family has entrusted House-Rawlings Funeral Home with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 12. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

House-Rawlings Funeral Home  
510 East 4th Street  
London, KY 40741  
(606) 864-2158  
info@houserawlings.com  
<https://houserawlings.com>

## Funeral Service

JUN 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ House-Rawlings Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Shannon J. Grant Caldwell



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House-Rawlings Funeral Home - June 11, 2023 at 10:18 PM

RH

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Sorry to learn of Shannon's passing 😞 We worked together for KCDHH TAP program and he was such a wonderful advocate for hard of hearing and deaf/blind consumers He will be missed. He and Virginia will have a lot to talk about in Heaven. Prayers for the family! ❤️🙏❤️

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row holloway - June 13, 2023 at 06:04 PM

CL

“ Shannon was such a tremendous influence in the prayer room during our Emmaus walks. His countenance would light the room. Paula, my prayers are for your comfort and for your family. In Jesus's love, Cheryl Longwell

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Cheryl Longwell - June 12, 2023 at 08:33 AM

GG

“ Shannon was such a precious soul with the ability to retain joy in the face of hardship. He had an amazing wit & the love of Jesus for his fellow man. His loving spirit will be extremely missed, however, I’m certain he’s running around the streets of gold now, praising Jesus and telling all new jokes! Sending love to & prayers for Paula & his family.

Geannie Gray - June 12, 2023 at 07:45 AM

NS

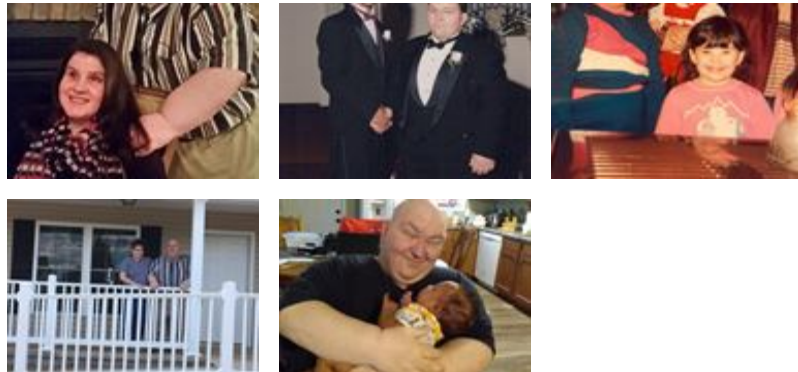
“ Nikole Slusher lit a candle in memory of Shannon J. Grant Caldwell



Nikole Slusher - June 12, 2023 at 02:23 AM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



House-Rawlings Funeral Home - June 11, 2023 at 09:21 PM

MM

“ Shannon was such a positive spirit. He had such love for his wife Paula. I enjoyed seeing them when they came into Owensboro with Paula's mother Judy. He definitely will be missed. Michelle Murphy

Michelle Murphy - June 11, 2023 at 04:29 PM

MR

“ Such an inspiration to me and Paula as well I thought the world of both of them going to really miss Shannon



Michael Reynolds - June 11, 2023 at 12:40 PM

LL

“ Shannon made a positive difference in so many lives, mine included. When my late husband Jim would drive Shannon to various places, Shannon would always asking “Do you want me to drive”? 😊 He will be missed by many but we know for certain where he is!

Liz Lewis - June 10, 2023 at 11:53 PM

MV

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family and also Vivian offers condolences

Melissa Saylor and Vivian - June 10, 2023 at 10:55 PM

“ Dear Alstrom Family,

*By now, most of you are aware that we recently lost Shannon Caldwell. Those of you who knew and loved Shannon as Jan and I did, have done a beautiful job of testifying to the essential qualities of this magnificent gentle(man). His generosity of spirit, his kindness, his intelligence, his incomparable wit, his wisdom and his genuine humility were palpable in every encounter. He never failed in putting others before himself. I admired him, respected him, valued his advice, and leaned on him. Shortly after I lost Jan, I did what she would have wanted, and we went forward with a planned A-Team Retreat here on Mount Desert Island in Maine, close by our home. Thirteen A-Teamers were here with me with Shannon (and Paula), their acknowledged leader(s), for Jan's Remembrance. Shannon took me aside before the service, prayed with me, held me, and told me how lucky all the Alstrom Angels were to have Jan with them...."while you're stuck down here with this motley crew." I laughed and made it through the day. I've been a lucky man to have known and loved Jan, to have known and loved (and lost) so many in Alstrom Land, and to continue to find richness and meaning and yet more love in our new generations. Though Paula does not have Alstrom Syndrome, she has been blind since birth. Few marriages are as flawlessly executed as theirs. I remember, in 2010 at the International Conference in Helen, Georgia, when Shannon, on a decade or longer anniversary, decided to re-propose. No warning! When he dropped to a knee, I very nearly called 911! The cheers resounded and all was well.*

*Today, I am writing to ask that you join me in supporting Paula as she seeks to provide Shannon with the funeral that Shannon wished for. He told her to get it done quickly, and the arrangements have been made for THIS Monday. Remarkably strong woman! These Caldwell's were poor but never lacking, humble but always dignified, generous in all ways available to them, and always reluctant to ask, so, I, who have had the high privilege of knowing and loving them, am asking on their behalf that you help see Shannon out.*

*Any donations in excess of the actual cost of \$9,500 for expenses will be remitted to Paula and help redress her straightened financial*

*situation. Following is Shannon's Obituary and contact information to make a donation to help defray the cost of Shannon's funeral. My greetings and gratitude to one and all!*

*Robin*

*<https://www.houserawlings.com/m/obituaries/Shannon-J-Grant-Caldwell/>*

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**Robin Marshall** - June 10, 2023 at 10:29 PM



“ *Even though Shannon joked with sighted people about his blindness, I believe he saw Jesus Christ more clearly than most of us. He also showed Christ's agape love to others in so many ways through Walk To Emmaus weekends and Fourth Days.*

*Thank you, Lord, for giving us the special light of Shannon in the darkness of this world.*



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**Darrell Hathcock** - June 10, 2023 at 10:22 PM

DB

“ *He would throw me in the air like we was wrestlers and just laugh*

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**Diane Brennan** - June 10, 2023 at 09:41 PM

JJ

“ *Joyce Johnson lit a candle in memory of Shannon J. Grant Caldwell*



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**Joyce Johnson** - June 10, 2023 at 06:31 PM

JJ

“ I remember when Shannon and Paula came to the Community Christian Church they both were an inspiration. Shannon would like to sit in the driver's seat of the church van and pretend he was driving.

*He was a blessing to many*

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**Joyce Johnson** - June 10, 2023 at 06:31 PM