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### **ILLINOIS STATE POLICE TROOPER COREY S. THOMPSEN** **FAMILY STATEMENT**

The Family of Trooper Corey S. Thompson mourns the loss of their husband, son, brother and friend. We could never begin to thank law enforcement or the thousands from our community who have reached out to us to express their love and support.

To the public, he became a hero on October 18<sup>th</sup>, when he was killed in the line of duty. To his family, he has always been a hero.

Our world has been shattered, and we will never be the same. But we take comfort in knowing that he lived life to the fullest, he loved his family and friends deeply, and he died doing what he loved. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God." -Matthew 5:9

Visitation will be Saturday, October 26, from 1 to 5 pm, at St. Joseph-Ogden High School with a first responder walk through at 5 pm. The funeral will be held Sunday, October 27 at 1 pm at Faith United Methodist Church, 1719 S. Prospect in Champaign. Burial will be in Patterson Cemetery, St. Joseph.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the *Trooper Corey S. Thompson Scholarship* fund at any University of Illinois Credit Union branch. This will provide a scholarship to St. Joseph-Ogden High School students entering the field of Criminal Justice.

Additional information will be released in the coming days. We ask the community to show their support by lining the procession route.

Inquiries about the incident can be directed to the Illinois State Police at

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