

WE REMEMBER JULIA MARIE MARTHALER



THE COALITION TO END RELATIONSHIP ABUSE REMEMBERS **JULIA MARIE MARTHALER** WHO LOST HER LIFE IN MINNESOTA IN 2025

Julia Marie Marthaler, 23, died under suspicious circumstances on May 15, 2025 in Sherburne County. Johnathan James Schafer, 35, described as Julia's boyfriend, is charged with failing to stop at the scene of an accident and one count of driving while intoxicated. Schafer told police that he and Julia met for dinner at a bar and had some drinks. He said that Julia didn't want to go home, so they drove around backroads. Schafer then told police that they started arguing, and claimed that Julia jumped out of his truck. She was found on the side of the road with severe head trauma and pronounced deceased. Schafer called multiple people across a timespan of 42 minutes, but did not render aid to Julia or call 911 himself. Julia had an active Order for Protection (OFP) against Schafer. He was convicted for violating the OFP stemming from an incident in November 2024. He was convicted again in March 2025 for a gross misdemeanor OFP violation that occurred in February. **Julia "had an incredible nurturing soul" and found peace in nature. She had an "infectious laugh." We remember Julia Marie Marthaler.**

