



Katie Marie Swanson

June 18, 2004 - November 22, 2022

Katie Marie Swanson unexpectedly passed away on November 22, 2022 after a long hard fight battle with Maroteaux-Lamy Syndrome. She was born on June 18th, 2004 in Moses Lake, Washington, and to know her was to love her. Katie regularly inspired others with her larger than life personality, bravery and indomitable spirit. She loved to draw and could often be found listening to music, playing games and generally making people laugh everywhere she went. Katie was an avid doll and toy collector and loved doing everything she could possibly do to collect as many dolls and stuffed animals that she could get her hands on.

Katie is survived by her father Joe Swanson, mother Jenna Smith-Swanson, cousins, grand-parents, aunts and uncles. She is preceded in death by her grandmother Della E Entwistle, Great-aunt Lois Entwistle, Grandmother Sally Pedigo Uncle Jerry Pedigo and Aunt Sammie Marie Pedigo. Katie will be missed more than any words can ever truly say by those who knew and loved her best. For those wishing to say goodbye there will be a public viewing at Kayser's Chapel & Crematory (831 So. Pioneer Way in Moses Lake) on December 8th from 12:00pm-2:00pm. An interment will follow at Guardian Angel's Cemetery (2595 Rd L NE in Moses Lake). On December 8th a funeral service will also be held in Katie's honor at Lakeview Missionary Church (810 S. Evergreen Dr., in Moses Lake) at 4: p.m. and is also open to anyone wishing to pay their respects. " To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.- Thomas Campbell."

Cemetery Details

Guarding Angels Cemetery

2595 Road L N.E.
Moses Lake, WA 98837
(509) 765-7848

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Service

DEC 8. 4:00 PM (PT)

Lakeview Missionary Church
810 S. Evergreen
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

SB

“ *The few times I met Katie, she touched my heart. My mom only had to meet her once and to hear of her love for Olaf for her to make Katie an Olaf. Her laugh was infectious. The world is a bit dimmer without her in it. Lots of love to her family.*

Steffanie Bonwell - December 07, 2022 at 01:09 AM

WS

“ *Wendy S. lit a candle in memory of Katie Swanson*



Wendy S. - December 02, 2022 at 10:58 PM

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“ *With my deepest sympathy to the family, just remember Katie is in a better place, no pain or suffering anymore. May she rest in peace.*



*Pat Ledbetter
Moses Lake, Wa.*

Patricia (Gerber)Ledbetter - November 30, 2022 at 11:45 PM



“ *We remember the day Katie was born because our daughter Abigail was born too. It was always nice to run into your family in town. Sending hugs to you both. Gerald and Charlene Clifton*

Charlene Clifton - November 30, 2022 at 10:25 PM

MI

“ I remember Katie and Mikey opening presents together a few Christmases! We even have video of them. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you Joe and Jenna!

Michael Gazell II - November 30, 2022 at 04:26 PM

LB

“ Thank you for sharing precious Katie with the Lakeview students and us, the Lakeview staff. Sincerely, Mrs. Bishop

linda bishop - November 30, 2022 at 02:19 PM

PS

“ So many memories of Katie! I think back to when she was 3 years old and we met the fierce little tiger. Watching Katie grow and change and loving her and Joe and Jenna. I tried to pinpoint a memory to share and there are too many to pick. I have missed her for the last few years, but I certainly will never forget her!

Pam Sumner - November 30, 2022 at 10:15 AM

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Gayle Talbot - November 29, 2022 at 11:45 PM

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In 2015-2016, I was Katie's 4th grade teacher for part of the day, and what a joy and blessing she was! Katie always came in with a big smile on her face, walked to her desk in the back of the room (closer to the door for her benefit) and got to work drawing. Someone once asked me if it was a distraction to have Katie deliver each portrait as she completed them and I said, "No, not at all." When in truth, I hope it was a distraction, because what my students learned from Katie that year was way more important than what they learned from me! They learned about persistence and giving; about friendship and blessing others; about never giving up or complaining, and so much more. Yes, to be given one of Kaitie's special drawings was a coveted reward for each and every one in my class. Those 4th graders are this year's Seniors in high school, and have their whole lives ahead of them. Katie has her work cut out for her too, because there are so many more friends to draw portraits of in Heaven.

Gayle Talbot - November 30, 2022 at 01:07 PM

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Correction. . .the year was 2014-2015.

Gayle Talbot - November 30, 2022 at 01:14 PM

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Gayle Talbot - November 29, 2022 at 11:24 PM

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This bulletin board at Lakeview Terrace Elementary was used to display only Katie's work during our Art Show in 2014-2015. Katie was our 'resident artist'. The sign reads: Who is Katie? Katie Swanson is a life skill's fourth grader in Room 4, Mrs. Talbot's classroom. All year, Katie has blessed our classmates and teacher with her beautiful, colorful, and extraordinary drawings. She is quite prolific, producing ten or more drawings per class period. She gives them all away. This is Katie's debut Art Show at our Annual Leeann Ham Memorial Art Show. Bravo Katie!

Gayle Talbot - November 30, 2022 at 01:24 PM

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Gayle Talbot - November 29, 2022 at 11:23 PM

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The picture in the bottom left corner on an orange paper is of me, her 4th grade teacher. Don't I look happy? If Katie ever forgot to sign her drawings (and she was working at lightning speed) the kids would usually ask her to sign it later. She was the celebrity. One of my girls had a whole folder at home that was labeled "The Katie Folder" with drawings that Katie had given to her.

Gayle Talbot - November 30, 2022 at 01:30 PM