



Caroline (Peach) Kanis

March 27, 2007 - March 18, 2017

Caroline Kanis, age 9, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, March 18, 2017. Caroline was innocent and pure— drawn to all things good. She possessed a temperament of ineffable sweetness, such that we began to call her "Peach". A year ago, we learned that Peach had a rare tumor on her brain stem called DIPG. Inoperable and aggressive, these tumors end in death, in the process causing their victims to gradually lose all function. Peach forbade us to cry under penalty of a \$.25 fine; she was not afraid, never complained, and declared, "we must never be angry, and we must never have regrets." She had gone blind in one eye and deaf in one ear and never mentioned it. With broken hearts we do not say goodbye, but "see you soon." She is preceded by her great-grandmothers, Elizabeth Huizenga, Della Rogers; grandfather Glen Ledbetter; and great-grandfather, Cread Sells. She is survived by her parents Michael & Tina; brothers, Grayson, Christian, and Noah; grandparents, Herman & Sue Kanis and Betty Ledbetter; aunts and uncles, SallyJo Morris, April Smith, Julie & Brian Lundeen; and great-grandmother, Madeline Sells. Visitation is 2:00-6:00 pm, Thursday, March 23 at Langeland Sterenberg Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, MI 49423. Funeral services are 10:00 am, Friday, March 24 at Central Wesleyan Church, 446 West 40th St., Holland, MI, 49423. Burial to be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Caroline's P.E.A.C.H. Foundation (Philanthropic Effort to Advance Children's Health) - In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Caroline's memory to the Caroline Kanis Fund, PO 100243, Gainesville, FL 32610, or

donate online at: <http://www.uff.ufl.edu/appeals/Kanis>

Tribute Wall



“ *Caroline (Peach) Kanis*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Our thoughts, prayers and sympathy to all of you.....the faith Peach showed and now all of you is a gift from God. May he lift you and hold you all and especially Caroline, in the palm of his hands.....peace"*

Laurie - March 23, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"To The Kanis Family, We are so sorry for your loss. You have our sincerest sympathies. Your friends at Eastern Floral"*

Adrienne Weiss - March 23, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Tina, words can never express the sympathy my heart feels for you. I know we trust God to get us through tough times and I know He does, this is just hard to think about the pain you must feel. She was a beautiful little girl and sounds like the sweetest. Sounds very smart and loving. I'm sure there's hard days ahead, just know prayers are still being said for you and your family. Much sympathy and love"*

Eugenia Hoskins - March 22, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RE

“My sympathy to the family, friends this little girl brought so much. Joy in our community and will be missed. May God surround her family, friends with angels of healing, angels of mercy, angels of hope and understanding and angels of strength and may the arch angel Michael be resting on her father Michael, for his wife her mom, and her brothers that he can be a courageous man of Gods grace lift this family Lord Jesus Thank you!”

Rev - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MG

“As a dove flies around we know doves sing funny I saw a morning dove about a week ago as I was reading post from Michael and next to it flew another Carole came to mind and Jesus I prayed that moment he was hugging her tight she is in His arms I trust and believe just ironic”

Michelle Gustin - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LS

“Caroline and your family has been on my mind a lot and in my prayers. I am so sorry that Caroline ever had to go through any of this. She sounds like a sweet angel. I hope you find some peace knowing she is in Heaven's paradise and you will see her again someday. Sincerely, Lisa Schulist”

Lisa Schulist - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CP

“There is no foot so small that it cannot leave an imprint on this world. How very softly you tiptoed into our world, almost silently, only a moment you stayed. But what an imprint your footsteps have left upon our hearts. What we have once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes a part of us.....and you, are a part of us forever. Rest in Heaven Sweetheart The Bearded Villains Chicago Chapter”

Christopher Peiffer - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KG

“There are no words for our sadness, but pure Joy for the memories sweet Caroline brought to our family, especially my Abby. Know that Caroline brought pure understanding of her God to all that we're blessed to know her. Thank you for sharing your sweet Caroline with us. Our Prayers are with you always, Much Love, The Gurka Family”

Kristen Gurka - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KC

“Wish I was able to meet you sweet baby girl but I will look for you in heaven when I get there. God is great in all things and this is something you knew in your heart. He has gain an angel and I know you will be looking out for your family. See you soon baby girl all my love Kamala Conway”

Kamala Conway - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MP

“Caroline made such an impact on everyone's lives, even those that did not know her. She was such a sweet and loving girl sent from Heaven above. She will always be remembered and will be an angel watching over us all.”

Mary Ellen Peiffer - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CS

“*What a Brave and Beautiful little girl. Strong beyond her years, she walks with God now. My son said she is playing in the streets of heaven. Our family has been praying for Caroline and your family for many months. We are very sorry for your loss. May God give you comfort and peace as Caroline's light shines in heaven. Holland Christian family*”

Christy Sterenberg - March 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“*So sorry for your loss*”

Darrell Scott - March 20, 2017 at 12:00 AM