



Ashlynn Elizabeth Hamm

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Our beautiful baby girl, Ashlynn Elizabeth Hamm went to Heaven with angel's wings, peacefully in her parent's arms, Tuesday evening, June 2, 2009 at the neonatal intensive care unit of Spectrum Hospital. Ashlynn was born November 12, 2008 in Grand Rapids to Ryan and April (Flaska) Hamm. In her 6 ½ months of life, Ashlynn Elizabeth went through many journeys and changed many lives along the way. She is survived by her parents, Ryan and April of Norton Shores; her maternal grandparent, Nancy Flaska of Fruitport; paternal grandparents, Stephanie (Wally) Gross of Grand Haven and Jamie (Christy) Hamm of Grand Rapids; great grandparents, Elizabeth "Betty" and Ivan Flaska of Ravenna, Jay and Kay Glover of Baldwin, Harold and Donna Prochnow of Spring Lake, and William Hildreth of North Port, FL; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Ashlynn was preceded in death by an older sibling. A special thanks to all the staff at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital for all their care and concern; and especially everyone's prayers. Please join us for A CELEBRATION OF ASHLYNN ELIZABETH'S LIFE 10am Saturday, June 6, 2009 at The Lee Chapel, Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc. 6291 S. Harvey St. 231-798-1100 with Rev. William Hildreth officiating. VISITATION will be 6-8 PM Friday at the funeral home. MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS may be made to The March of Dimes. Share memories with the family at their on line guest book @ www.sytsemafh.com.



Events

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Visitation

 **Friday**, June 5, 2009

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





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Anonymous posted:

April, words can't express how sorry I am for your loss. You and your husband will be in my wife and I's prayers. So sorry, Aaron and Pamela Parker.##imported-begin##Aaron Parker##imported-end##

June 8 at 3:39 PM



Anonymous posted:

Ashlynn, You are truly remarkable and amazing. You have made such a wonderful impact on my life and are a true HERO in my eyes. Look in on your mom and dad here and there, they are also so amazing, you couldn't have asked for better parents. I will miss checking your progress everyday but I will always remember that gorgeous smile I seen in your beautiful pictures and I am so honored to have been introduced to your remarkable story. Rest in peace little angel. I'll think of you every time the sun shines. With love, Heather, Brandon & girls.##imported-begin##Heather Zant##imported-end##

June 8 at 12:22 PM



Anonymous posted:

My name is Kristin and i saw you baby's picture in the paper and i wanted to give you my deepest sympathy. My son was born two days before your beautiful baby girl and he passed away 4 days later. Our stories may be different but our sadness is both the same. He too was in NEO. If you would like to talk to someone who also knows this type of sadness of losing a baby feel free to e-mail me @ KHarr26705@aol.com##imported-begin##Kristin Schutter##imported-end##

June 6 at 9:57 AM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. You are great and loving parents!!Emily, Kevin and Luke Calhoon - Nursery 6 residents in April and May##imported-begin##Emily Calhoon##imported-end##

June 6 at 8:58 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Dear April and Ryan I know it feels as though she has left you but you will soon realize that she is forever with you - engraved upon your heart and mind. She will be your strength in the future, helping you through the days when you think you can't go on. You will remember her joy. You will remember her strength and you will thank God for blessing you with Ashlynn and the gifts she has imparted to you both. ##imported-begin##Susan Lee##imported-end##

June 6 at 8:30 AM



Anonymous posted:

Ashlynn: Precious baby girl and niece, I love you dearly. You've touched my heart and life in ways you'll never know. We will miss you dearly, but know you are at peace without pain, and enjoying a special dance with Jesus. Love you always Aunt Char ##imported-begin##Char Lowrie##imported-end##

June 6 at 5:25 AM



Anonymous posted:

Thank you for sharing Ashlynn with us. Her life was pure worship to God and I can't wait to see her in heaven. I know she'll have a lot to teach us. Love always Aunt Barbara ##imported-begin##Barbara McKeathon##imported-end##

June 6 at 5:19 AM



Anonymous posted:

Chris and I are so deeply sorry for your loss. We never got the chance to meet your special angel, but she has touched our hearts in such a profound way. You and your family are in our prayers. ##imported-begin##Chris and Sarah Cullum##imported-end##

June 5 at 4:28 PM



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Anonymous posted:

April and Ryan I can't express enough how incredible you both are. You have shown so much love and compassion to Ashlynn. She is very proud of you both and you can keep your heads high knowing that she loves you and is looking down proudly. Ashlynn will always have a special place in my heart. I am thankful that I was able to care for her. I can't come to the funeral tomorrow but you both will be in my heart and prayers, not just tomorrow but daily. Each day you go forward trust in God and know that HE is with you always. Love in Christ. Scott(RESPI)##imported-begin##Scott York##imported-end##

June 5 at 1:51 PM



Anonymous posted:

Ashlynn Elizabeth HammYour name is Love-Love that i will hold forever. Each morning will begin with you. When times are tough, as in this moment, Love will prevail. Heaven can not contain you for I see you now and hear your laughter. Now you know and feel the Love your Mom and Dad have for you. Blessed be you angel.Love, Great Uncle Wayne##imported-begin##Great Uncle Wayne Flaska##imported-end##

June 5 at 1:22 PM



Anonymous posted:

We are so very sorry to hear the news about Ashlynn. She blessed many lives during her short time on this earth. Praise her memory.Peace to Ashlynn and family!Judy & Jeff##imported-begin##Jeff & Judy Marcinkowski##imported-end##

June 5 at 12:44 PM



Anonymous posted:

SORRY ABOUT YOUR LOSS JUST HEARD ABOUT IT IN THE PAPER LAST NIGHT.WE ARE ALL OVER HERE THINKING ABOUT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.KNOW HOW YOU FEEL I LOST A BABY AT 6 WEEKS OLD##imported-begin##IMPACT COLLISION##imported-end##

June 5 at 9:31 AM



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Anonymous posted:

So sorry for your loss, and my heart breaks for you all.##imported-begin##Annette Crisler##imported-end##

June 5 at 9:20 AM



Anonymous posted:

Our hearts go out to you at this time. My sister n law and a friend of ours went throught the same experiance. We were lucky that our grandson made it but still has some lung problems. May your journey forward inspire others. Love Mary and Steven Boxer##imported-begin##Mary Boxer##imported-end##

June 5 at 6:15 AM



Anonymous posted:

We hope God gives you peace in the loss of your daughter.##imported-begin##Gene & Barbara Greenwood##imported-end##

June 5 at 4:55 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Ashlynn was a precious little angel who is now in heaven with her bright pink Angel Wings. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.Take CareSarah Soles, RNDevos Childrens Hospital##imported-begin##Sarah Soles##imported-end##

June 5 at 3:48 AM



Anonymous posted:

April and Ryan, My heart is absolutely torn by the loss of Ashlynn! I know there are no words that can take away the pain, but remember she is now safe and pain free up in Heaven. I have been following Ashlynn's journey through life every day since she was born. You guys are truely amazing parents and did EVERYTHING you could do for your baby girl. She was so lucky to have you guys in her life! I am so sad I was never able to meet Ashlynn; I will now wait until we meet in heaven one day!Ashlynn Elizabeth you will forever hold a special place in my heart and you will truely be missed but NEVER forgotten!With all my love,Danielle##imported-begin##Danielle Putnam - Muskovin##imported-end##

June 4 at 6:55 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and our prayers are with you and your family. Love, Kathy~jo##imported-begin##Kathy Jo Peltier##imported-end##

June 4 at 4:32 PM



Anonymous posted:

I never did get to meet you but someday I will in heaven. Your mommy and daddy are great people and I know that they loved you so much. My thoughts and prayers go out to you both. My god bless you always and forever.##imported-begin##Allyson Hoebeke & Lee Van Dyk##imported-end##

June 4 at 3:54 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry to hear about Ashlynn. I read about her story a while back in the Chronicle. It was such a nice article. I don't know what to say except my heart goes out to you. I cannot imagine the pain you are going through. I hope you find peace and comfort. Her picture is adorable. You must have been very proud of her and her spirit to keep fighting for so long.##imported-begin##Nancy (Claypool) Sundberg##imported-end##

June 4 at 3:29 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear April and Ryan, So so sorry for your loss, I just can't imagine what you are going through. My heart breaks for you and your family. I offer my deepest sympathy and friendship to you. It was my pleasure to meet you and I pray God keeps you in his arms at this time. with regards, Jacquie##imported-begin##Jacquie Mansfield##imported-end##

June 4 at 1:53 PM



Anonymous posted:

Ashlynn sweetie you will always be in our hearts and you have touched both our hearts in so many ways. We love you and will miss you always. Every rainbow we see, we will think of you looking down on us. It is an honor to be considered your Aunt and Uncle.##imported-begin##Uncle Kyle and Aunt Amanda##imported-end##

June 4 at 12:39 PM



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Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Even tho I never got the chance to meet a precious baby like ashlynn I know she will be missed dearly by me and all who did get the chance to meet her. "John 11: 25&26 Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me,even though he dies, will come to life, and everyone that is living and exercises faith in me will never die at all."I belive Ashlynn will be resurrected, but to perfect health when God says it is time.I can't wait to see her when she is resurrected to a paridase earth. sincerely,Damara Kolar###imported-begin###DAMARA KOLAR###imported-end###

June 4 at 12:27 PM



Anonymous posted:

April & Ryan, Our deepest sympathy to you both. You two are extraordinary parents, the devotion and love and hope you had for Ashlynn will forever be in our hearts. God Bless you both.Ashlynn, I will be forever changed because of you. You have made my life so much better and gave me feelings I didn't know existed. I love you little sweetie. Love, Aunt Diane###imported-begin###Aunt Diane and Uncle Dave Villalpando###imported-end###

June 4 at 12:09 PM



Anonymous posted:

Ryan and April,There are no words for sympathy,that will take away the pain.But the memories left behindwith you will always remain.May you grief be diminishedKnowing we care,the grief that you have we also share. LOve,uncle allan aunt jackie brent and chad###imported-begin###flaska###imported-end###

June 4 at 9:55 AM



Anonymous posted:

Ryan and april, The love and courage you have given over the past months could not have been stronger. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and jamie and all the family in this time of grief. I will never forget the pciture of her on the car showing just how much you love and chairish her. God Bless.###imported-begin###Dan Reimersma (Friend and fellow racer)###imported-end###

June 4 at 6:37 AM



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Anonymous posted:

April & Ryan -You both, as well as your family, are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. You can be so proud of the impact your daughter has had. We love you!Mike, Nancy, Cambell & Hudson Brown###imported-begin##Mike & Nancy Brown###imported-end##

June 4 at 6:35 AM



Anonymous posted:

April and Ryan,Your angel was an incredibly brave little girl. She has touched my life in so many ways...as have you both. Her name will continue to be known and will be a symbol of strength. Thinking of you both during this difficult time.Hugs,Jennifer###imported-begin##Jennifer(friend of Aunt Jean)###imported-end##

June 4 at 6:02 AM



Anonymous posted:

I may not have known her personally, but I felt like I knew her just by the way Jackie spoke of her. May God's comfort, peace and strength be with you and your family.###imported-begin##Stacy (friend of Jackie S.)###imported-end##

June 4 at 4:13 AM



Anonymous posted:

Ashlynn, Honey, you left too soon, but what you gave in that short time will be with us forever. Your beautiful smile will be with us always, and when I look up I will see you there watching over us. I love you pumpkin, but I will never say goodbye. Thank you for putting sunshine in our lives. I love you with all my heart baby girl.Always,Grandma and Uncle Eric###imported-begin##Grandma and Uncle Eric###imported-end##

June 4 at 3:26 AM



Anonymous posted:

You touch my heart deeply and i will pray for you. You and your family are the bravest I have ever know.###imported-begin##Keri Unger###imported-end##

June 4 at 1:48 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Her smile is in the Summer
Her grace is in the breeze
She did not leave, she is not gone
It's only we that grieve.
It doesn't take a special day
To bring you to our minds
A day without a thought of you's
very hard to find.
No longer in our hearts to share
But in our hearts you're always there
The parting and the heartaches
No one can ever heal
But our memories for safekeeping
No one can ever steal.
##imported-begin##Mike, Jackie, & Gracie##imported-end##

June 3 at 6:22 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ashlynn Elizabeth by
contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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