



Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua Gillard

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On May 27, 2022, Katelynn "Dolly" Gillard's short life was taken away tragically. Katelynn Marie Gillard was born on August 23, 2015, in Big Rapids to Dawn Gillard, adding to the joy of the family. Dolly was a character that didn't fit in any box, enjoying a raucous game of cops and robbers in her SWAT shirt as much as playing with her dolls and dressing up in her 'girly clothes'. She loved to paint and color but playing outside with her siblings was best of all for Katelynn. She quickly became a tough cookie in her short years by playing with her brothers. When her energy was spent, she loved getting refreshed with her favorite ramen noodles. Her few years on Earth will bring an eternal light to the heavens.

On May 27, 2022, at the age of 4, Ronald Charles Gillard lost his life with his mother and two siblings. Born on the 30th of June 2017, "Bugs" brought a summertime sort of light to his family. His little body was always in motion, riding his bike, or playing outside. If you found Bugs you would find his sidekick, little brother Josh, the two always seeming to be together playing or eating Mac n Cheese. He could be quiet when playing with his hot wheels or watching Paw Patrol, but his default setting was loud and outgoing - his little personality filling a room. He loved his family. His short time on Earth will bring a heavenly amount of love and memories.

His big little life coming to an end on May 27, 2022, Joshua Gabriel Gillard died at the age of 3. Born to Dawn Gillard on November 21, 2018, Joshua was a Thanksgiving gift for his family that year. True to his nickname, "Pluto", he could be found on the periphery always wanting to be in the open space of the outdoors, giving everyone a run for their money when it was time to come inside no matter the weather. Josh loved to talk, telling tall tales even if you couldn't decipher what he was saying. He was a joyful boy, riding his big wheel racing his Matchbox cars and eating a bowl of Mac n cheese with delight. What little time he was here on Earth will fill Eternity with love.

Katelynn, Ronald and Joshua are survived by siblings Hailey, Courtney, and Gunnar Salisbury,



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Charles Gillard Jr., and Kenneth Oliver; grandparents, Susan Founier, Robert Strang and Onalee Myers.

A Funeral service to honor Dawn, Katelynn, Ronald, and Joshua will be held Thursday, June 9th, at 11:00 am, at the Northland United Methodist Church in Stanwood, MI, with Pastor Gary Bondarenko officiating. Burial will follow in Stanwood Cemetery. Visitation will take place from 4-7pm., Wednesday, June 8th at the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids, and Thursday morning prior to services at the church. In lieu of flowers those desiring may direct memorial contributions to the family

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids, with support from Janowicz Family Funeral Home. Share a memory or express condolences at mohnkefuneralhome.com.



Tribute Wall

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LC

Laurie Carroll lit a candle in honor of Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua.

I dont know what happened, only how sad it must be to be a remaining family member. These little ones' lives cut short...may God minister to the remaining family members, and may you know the love of Christ, who says take my burden for it is light, an

August 8 at 8:00 PM



CZ

Cathy Zimmerman lit a candle in honor of Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua.

I am soooo deeply sorry for the very tragic & deep loss of these 4 beautiful souls. I wish that I could take ALL of the pain away for the other children and the whole entire family. My heart and soul grieves with you all. I am sending my deepest condo

July 25 at 8:00 PM



CN

Cassenda Nelson posted:

so sorry may your souls rest love peace and harmony.

July 21 at 8:00 PM

GB

Genice Bingaman lit a candle in honor of Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua.

I am so sorry for your loss. Sending love and prayers. God bless you all.

July 19 at 8:00 PM



DO

Donna posted:

So heartbreaking prayers to all who loved them

July 17 at 8:00 PM

DO

Denece Oplinus lit a candle in honor of Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua.

God Bless little ones. My heart breaks and your in my prayers.

June 7 at 8:00 PM





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EM

Elaine Meyers posted:

I am so heartbroken. Even though I never got to meet you, looking at your photos I see our family in your faces. You're just babies. I am so sorry you were taken away so soon. Please watch over us. Love, Your Great GREAT Aunt Elaine Meyers

June 3 at 8:00 PM

JO

Judy Kay Odell lit a candle in honor of Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua.

so sorry for the loss of your family members, I am sending prayers for strength to get through all of this.

June 2 at 8:00 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Katelynn, Ronald, & Joshua by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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