

Sophia Noelle Toews

Our treasure, Sophia Noelle Toews, passed from our arms to the other side of eternity into the arms of her heavenly Father on March 10th, 2022 at just one month old.

With a life limiting diagnosis, she wasn't promised any time here on earth, and everyday with her was a precious gift.

The time we had with her was never going to be enough, but each day was spent with her being cuddled and cherished.

She continues to be carried in the hearts of her parents, Wes and Marie Toews, along with the rest of her family, continually, just like her time here on earth.



Sophia brought out the kindness in many in her short life during a time when many are struggling to see the good in the world. Her life brought people together and taught us not to give up on anyone, they can surprise you. She also reminded us not to take the time with our loved ones for granted. You never know how long you have with them, and every moment can be a beautiful memory you will treasure forever.

Sophia had lots of personality and spunk that surprised many. She kicked at the ultrasound and hid her face behind her hands when it was going in for a close up. So, it was nothing new when she stretched with surprising strength upon being let out of a swaddle and kicked happily at bath time. She fought hard

to eat and grow 2 inches and gain a half a pound, along with some cute chubby cheeks. She loved her milk and baths and cuddling. In general, she was a fan of staying warm and cozy at all times. She let everyone know when these preferences were not done to her liking with some warning noises that increased in volume if one was a little slow. In her last moments, she found comfort on her father's chest listening to his heartbeat for her, and her mother's words of love pouring over her like they had since she was in the womb. She was, and is, held always in faith, hope and love. Love never fails (1 Corinthians 13).

A remembrance of Sophia will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, on April 24th, 2022 at 2:00 pm. This is an open and informal celebration of her life. Please email metoyou.marie@gmail.com as soon as possible if planning to attend so that appropriate seating can be arranged. There will be an optional walk to the gravesite at the Royal Oak Burial Park next door, so come prepared for the weather. It is acceptable to come cozy, just like Sophia would approve of.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to our friends, family, midwife and team, the many doctors and nurses at Victoria General Hospital, and Canuck Place Children's Hospice for the exceptional care and consideration for the many challenges we faced. They continue to be an invaluable gift, a strong support, and a shining example of the kindness of others in the midst of difficult journeys.

We are requesting that donations be made to Canuck Place Children's Hospice in Sophia's honour in lieu of flowers. [Make a Donation to Canuck Place](#)

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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