



# Reid Marie Ray Smith

February 5, 2020 - July 25, 2022

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of our daughter Reid Marie Ray Smith, age 2 of Rogers. She was born February 5, 2020 in Rogers the daughter of Korey and Chelsea Smith.

She is survived by her parents Korey and Chelsea Smith, siblings Hendrix, Crosby and Tucker Smith.

Love, Reid

"From the beginning I had to be brave. I grew in my mommy's tummy. But something was wrong. Later I found out the doctors said I was "hurting." But back then, I didn't know what it was. I just knew I had to be brave. For a while I lived in my mommy. I got bigger. And bigger. I heard my mommy's voice. I heard her laugh. It was loud. And beautiful. It made me laugh too. I heard other voices too. But they were quieter... Sometimes there was something I learned was called music. I've always loved music...

And one day, there was light!

But something was wrong. There were different noises. Beeps. And buzzing. Strangers whispering. I wasn't sure. But then I saw my mommy and daddy! And they held me. And I was happy.

I had to be brave.

My life was fast where I first lived. There were doctors, nurses. And they were so nice to me! They liked to laugh too. And liked to smile. They told me I was getting better. I just hoped for less hurt.

Then finally. Finally! I started to feel better. My parents said I could go to a place called home. With my brothers and sisters! And I was so happy! Home was fun! There was so much happiness. The nurses came there too. But mostly, I got to be around what my mommy told me was my family. They held me and smiled. And played music. My favorite

songs were from the Beatles. I thought that sounded funny, like a bug. But my mom told me they were people like us that sang and sang!

When I turned one, my birthday party was decorated with all my favorite songs from the Beatles. A different song for each room. My mommy planned it. It was one of my favorite days! And it seemed like everyone in the world came and smiled at me. And held or hugged me. I loved being held. It made everything better.

But it started to get harder. The hurt came back again and again. And I got tired. I tried to stay awake. I wanted to be around my mommy, my daddy, and my Crosby, Tucker, and Hendrix. But my eyes wouldn't let me. I tried one more time to be brave. But my mommy and daddy both held me and let me know I was the bravest. And the sweetest. That I'd inspired thousands of folks. Though I don't know what that means. They told me I could rest. And so, I went to sleep one more time.

But when I woke! I DID feel better. Lighter. No hurt! I could walk. I could sing and dance. I saw my family crying and I walked up to them to hug them. Let them know I was there. They didn't see me...But I am here! And I am happier than I've been in a long time. And I want to let them know, now it's their time to be strong.

And brave.

Cause I learned everything I know about it from all of them."

Love,

Reid Marie Ray Smith

A Celebration of Life will be held 6:00 pm Saturday August 13 at Sassafra Winery 6461 E Guy Terry Road, Springdale, Arkansas 72764.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG 13. 6:00 PM (CT)

Sassafras Winery  
6461 E Guy Terry Road  
Springdale, AR 72764

# Tribute Wall



“ *Berna Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Reid Marie Ray Smith*



**Berna Funeral Homes** - August 11 at 12:57 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Reid Marie Ray Smith.*



August 01 at 12:10 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Reid Marie Ray Smith.*



July 29 at 12:35 PM



“ *I'm so very sorry for your loss. Korey, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I've never read a more wonderful, thoughtful, loving obituary. Your did your daughter proud. Sheri (DeJarnette) Flannery*

**Sheri** - July 29 at 08:47 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Reid Marie Ray Smith.*



July 28 at 09:31 PM

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“ Thank you Korey and Chelsea for giving me the opportunity to be Reids nurse. I will cherish those memories. Also making me feel part of the family. Prayers for you and your family during this difficult time. Reid was such an amazing little girl.

Kathy Ross - July 28 at 04:15 PM

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“ Evie Comfort lit a candle in memory of Reid Marie Ray Smith



Evie Comfort - July 28 at 12:51 PM