



## Abigail Jensen

July 24, 2011

Abigail Marie Jensen, 5 years old, received her angel wings while in her daddy's arms Sunday, July 24, 2011 following a year long battle with brain cancer. Princess Abby's final days were spent at home in Oak Ridge, Mo. surrounded by family and special friends who loved, and will always love her dearly. Abby was born December 28, 2005 at Cape Girardeau, Mo. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Jackson Branch. Abby's life may have seemed very short, but she was able to touch the lives and hearts of so many during her time here. No one who met her will ever forget her amethyst blue eyes and huge smile. From the time she was a very small child she loved to make others laugh with her silly faces and was a natural comedienne. As her illness took away her ability to do things for herself she still managed to swipe food from her mother's plate and once, on an unplanned trip to the hospital, she smashed an iced cupcake on her forehead and then pretended she didn't know what she had done, fooling everyone in the car into thinking she was serious. Princess Abby possessed an iron core that was hidden until she became ill. She was a child who possessed strength, patience, perseverance, and faith that is rare in adults. To everyone who came in contact with her--family, friends, and strangers alike--she was a joy and an inspiration. Abigail loved going to church and almost before she could see over the pew she would stand with an open hymn book propped in front of her and sing and direct the music during the hymns. She loved the missionaries from her church and was a great missionary herself,

standing to bear her testimony of Jesus Christ and the truth of the restored gospel in front of the congregation at every opportunity. She loved going to Sunday School and meeting with her friends and teachers in Primary. Abby, being a true princess, surrounded herself with everything pink and lavender. She often dressed in princess dresses and accessorized with tiaras and "jewels." Possibly her most exciting moment was meeting and spending time with the Disney Princesses and Prince Charming at Disney World last spring and one of her greatest dreams came true when the Prince kissed her hand and spent one-on-one time with her, thanks to the great folks at Make-A-Wish. She was also able to see another dream realized when her family took her to the beach and she was able to swim in the ocean and play in the sand with her sisters. At the other end of the spectrum, Abigail was an avid Sponge Bob Square Pants fan and was on the Oak Ridge T-ball Team, receiving a trophy for Most Valuable Player of 2011. She looked forward to starting kindergarten at Oak Ridge this fall. She enjoyed coloring, dancing with Mary-Beth, playing dress up with Emily, going to the zoo, camping, and Magic House. Her greatest joy of late was being big sister to her youngest sister, Sara Mae. They loved each other dearly and spent lots of time cuddling and napping together. When no one else could quiet Sara, Abby could. Abigail is survived by her parents, Jonathan Marc and Maegan Elizabeth Jensen of Oak Ridge; sisters, Mary-Elizabeth, Emily Kathleen, and Sara Mae; paternal grandparents, Arnold and Linda Jensen of Florissant, Mo.; maternal grandparents, Brian F. and Mary Hopkins Miller of Oak Ridge; uncles, David and Fleur Jensen of Winnemucca, Nevada, Bob and Colista Jensen of Spanish Fork, Utah, Michael Jensen of Florissant, Bryan Miller of Ft. Myers, Florida; aunt, Amber and Bob Ludwig of Fruitland, Mo.; cousins, Sabrina, Jessica, Brayden, Ellary, Aedin, and Maliya Jensen, B.J., Bradley, and Jesse Miller, and Carson Ludwig; and many sweet and very special friends. She was preceded in death by a brother, Curtis Arnold Jensen. Visitation is to be held Wednesday, July 27 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel, Cape Girardeau. A celebration of Abigail's life will be Thursday, July

28 at 11:00 AM at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel with Branch President Richard Owens of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Jackson Branch conducting. Dedication of the grave and interment will be at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery, Cape Girardeau. As Abigail's life is one to be celebrated, her parents ask for those who love her to wear bright and happy colors to her service, and for there to be more smiles than tears. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the family. To read about Abby's journey to heaven you are invited to read her father's blog at [WhenAbbySmiles.blogspot.com](http://WhenAbbySmiles.blogspot.com).

# Tribute Wall

TL

“ I work at a gospel radio station and I read Miss Abigails obituary and cried. I also talked about her over the air requesting prayer for the ones left behind. She was a beautiful and we all will keep the prayers going for you.

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**Tammy Lincoln** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Before she died of breast cancer Elizabeth Edwards said she hoped her legacy would be that her children would always remember she stood through the storm. I have never seen anyone stand so strong as Abby and her parents. I am sure Gods first words to Abby included " Job well done princess"

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**Debbie Hayden** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Jon, Maegan, the girls, Bryan, Mary, & the rest of the family, we are so sad to hear of Abby's passing & your loss. We share your sadness but are hopeful & grateful for the reminder of the blessing of eternal families at this time. Your family is in our prayers.

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**Shannon & Angela Polmateer** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR DEAR ONE WE DO A CHRISTMAS THING EVERY YEAR FOR THE YOUNG CHILDREN AND WE PLAN ON NOV 12 IN REDFORD MO AND WE WOULD TO HAVE YOU ALL TO COME AND JOIN US ITS UP LIFTING AND WE HELP THE CHILDREN OF ST JUDES AND THIS IS OUR 5TH YEAR SO WHEN EVER YOU CAN TALK AND HAVE TIME GIVE US A CALL AND AGAIN GOD BLESS YOU AND WE ARE SURE YOUR YOUNG ONE AND JESUS ARE HAVE A GREAT TIME A PLACE OF PEACE AND NO PAIN GOD BLESS YOU IN OUR TIME OF NEED REV MJROTTER CROSS ROADS MINITRIES COLORING FOR A CURE 573 223 4566

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**REV M J ROTTER R** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *To The Jensen Family, You do not me or my family, but we have been praying for Abbyfor almost a year. My family and I attend Commerce Baptist Church. I know she is resting comfortably now and the pain is gone now. We will continue to pray for your family. May GOD continue to give you the strength to face the days ahead as you gon on without her beautiful smile.*

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**Wilma LeDure and Family** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I truly enjoyed the energy and light Abby had while coming in for her radiation treatment. I will never forget the day we wore tiarra's on her last day . She was truly a princess!!!*

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**Tiffany R** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NH

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GB

“ Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with your family.  
"Casting all your cares upon Him for He careth for you." 1 Peter 5:7

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**Gary and Connie Blanner** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I will miss Abby very much. I will forever keep her in my heart. I love you guys!

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**Marlena Conner** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Jon, Meagan, and girls. I am so sorry to hear about your lose, Abby was a beautiful girl, i didnt get the pleasure of meeting her, but my niece took her pictures and i would always look at them. I lived in oak ridge 5 years ago on buttonwood ln, not sure if you remember me or not, i lived with Keith and Sheila, and my grandma lives across the street, her yard backs up to your parents yard meagan. You are all in out thoughts and prayers, and now you have two angels looking out for you, best of luck in the future, and remember Abby is smiling down on you and everyone else.

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**Shonda Monighan** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ My grandparents and I didn't know you but we are so sorry to hear about Abby I heard on tv earlier then found out but we know she's in a better place with God . Are thoughts and prayers are with u and your family. God bless

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**Lauren Eggimann** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ My prayers have always been with your family and will continue to be. I feel priviledged to have known Abby and your family.

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**Danielle Boyd** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I will miss my dear sweet Abby so much. I am truly blessed to have been a part of her life. She handled this past year with grace beyond her years. I know that I will see her smile again one day.

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**Janice ham** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ You have my warm regards. I too know the pain of losing someone you love. May it help you to know that the hearts of others are deeply touched by your loss. Although our hearts ache, we can find comfort in knowing that our loving heavenly Father will end all suffering soon. (Please read Revelation 21:3,4)

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**A. Jackson** - March 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM