

Jacob Jonathan Eastmo was born into this world on August 15, 2005 (The Feast of the Assumption) in Omaha, NE and born to eternal life on Easter morning, April 16, 2017, in Rapid City, SD.

Jacob, who on this earth could not walk or talk or see, dance or stand or sing, but with his every breath drew us closer to God.

He was adored by his family and all those who took the chance to love him. He was holy, joyful, peaceful, the purest of souls trapped in a broken body. But that did not stop him from enjoying life! He loved cuddling and praying with his Mommy, rough housing with his brothers, and snuggling with his Daddy while watching football. He enjoyed going to Meadowbrook elementary school, spending time with his teachers, surrounded by friends. He cheered the STM Cavaliers through football, basketball and track seasons. He loved 80's music, soaking in hot tubs, and swinging. He hiked and biked through the Black Hills, and visited 10 National Parks, 15 states and Disney World. He hosted the most amazing birthday parties to celebrate his life! His grin lit up an entire room. His family cherished celebrating the Catholic Mass with Jacob wrapped in their loving arms.

He leaves the memory of his peaceful earthly ministry to the lives he transformed: His parents, Eric and Dionne Eastmo and older brothers Matthew and Michael (Rapid City, SD); his grandparents Ronald and Virginia Eastmo (Deadwood, SD) and MaryAnn Kopp (Colorado Springs, CO); 6 aunts and uncles, 8 cousins and many extended family, friends, caregivers, therapists and teachers.

In Heaven, he is welcomed by his grandfather, Michael Kopp and 8 great-grandparents. And we are certain he joins a host of little friends who also left their families sooner than expected. For this reason, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a proposed Children's Memorial Garden at Terra Sancta Retreat Center... a holy place to be designed where families can celebrate and remember their children who have returned to God.