



Avery Kathryn Heino

July 1, 2012 - April 7, 2015

Avery Kathryn Heino, who inspired a devoted following of friends, family, nurses, cancer advocates and strangers passed away peacefully on April 7, 2015 as a result of complications from battling a rare brain tumor known as Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumor (AT/RT). She underwent surgery to remove the tumor on her second birthday, July 1, 2014, shortly after receiving her diagnosis.

Avery's life, though seemingly short, impacted many people. Her gentle smile could melt the hearts of those around her, and, though she could not speak, her feelings were always made known through her candid demeanor and feisty spirit. Even on her sickest days, she courageously fought back against her harsh treatments and sometimes a little with her caregivers.

Although Avery's illness was unrelenting, she possessed strength, perseverance, and an ability to overcome incredible odds and physical challenges – always with a smile on her face. Her courage inspired others to begin new spiritual journeys, grow together, and realize what matters most in life. She enjoyed playing with her babies and her older sister Ella, who she lovingly adored.

Avery is survived by her devoted parents Dana Kavanagh Heino and Mike Heino, as well as her sister Ella Lucy Heino; paternal grandparents George

and Gerry Heino of Bumpass, Va.; maternal grandparents Dean and Karyn Dahmer of Manassas, Va. and Richard and Kathy Kavanagh of Warwick, RI. She leaves behind an extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins including: Brandon and Steven Kavanagh; Mike, Gina, Ian and Samantha Kidwell; Cheryl Heino Modesto, Max and Wilson Modesto; and Brent and Braden Dahmer.

The family will receive friends from 2-4pm and 7-9pm Sunday, April 12, 2015 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Monday, April 13 at All Saints Catholic Church, 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas, VA. Families and children are welcome at all services.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the following charitable organizations:

Stillbrave:

<http://www.stillbrave.org/donate.html>

Dana Farber Cancer Institute: Please select from "Area of Greatest Need" drop down menu > "Neurological Cancers" > "Brain Tumor Fund - Pediatric"
<http://tinyurl.com/averyheino>

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Visitation

APR 12. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BB

“ *Sitting here with my little girl Gabi in the music corner dedicated to Avery, 6/17/2018*



Bridget Billingsley - June 17, 2018 at 12:54 PM

KA

“ *I wanted to express my deepest sympathy for the death of your child. She looks so beautiful in the picture!!! Please find comfort in knowing that Jehovah God is aware of the deep pain you experience from losing someone you love. His promise of bringing back to life those who have lost their life in death will bring joy to all. That means that through God 's promise you will be able to see Avery again in perfect health. I will be keeping you in my prayers to get comfort and the peace of mind that God provides.*

karen - July 30, 2015 at 10:30 AM

TF

“ *The Drake Family lit a candle in memory of Avery Kathryn Heino*



The Drake Family - April 13, 2015 at 12:23 PM

AC

“ Andrew And Elijah Chung lit a candle in memory of Avery Kathryn Heino



Andrew and Elijah Chung - April 12, 2015 at 12:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Avery Kathryn Heino.



April 10, 2015 at 04:15 PM

GC

“ Gloria Capriotti lit a candle in memory of Avery Kathryn Heino



Gloria Capriotti - April 10, 2015 at 10:40 AM

DO

“ Donna lit a candle in memory of Avery Kathryn Heino



Donna - April 09, 2015 at 09:37 PM