



Raphaela Charity Nelson

December 17, 2019 - October 30, 2020

Raphaela Charity Nelson was born on December 17, 2019. Even before her appearance to the world, she made an impact on her family. Raphaela was prenatally diagnosed with a complex congenital heart defect, Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome, and her family moved from Hawaii to Virginia to obtain the medical care she needed.

Raphaela entered into a rambunctious home as the youngest of eight children. She loved to laugh and scoot across the floor. She enjoyed playing peekaboo and never went without a playmate. Her cute smiles and feisty personality won over family and medical staff alike. Raphaela's bright blue eyes lit up any room she entered.

Raphaela fought through three heart surgeries and several vascular procedures, spending weeks in the hospital. Her last surgery resulted in unfortunate complications, and Raphaela could not overcome them. Raphaela died on October 30, 2020, held by her parents. She will always be loved and cherished.

Throughout Raphaela's life people prayed for her recovery and healing. Raphaela is survived by her siblings Sophia, Dirk, Miriam, Ilsa, Bernadette, Eulalia, and Veradis; her parents Joseph and Christine; her grandparents; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation will be held at Holy Trinity Catholic

Church, 8213 Linton Hall Rd. Gainesville, VA on Thursday, November 12, 2020 from 9:30 AM until time of Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 AM. Interment will follow at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Cemetery, 6430 Token Forest Dr. Manassas, VA. Please join the family, after the burial, at their home at 10950 Inspiration Point Pl. Manassas, VA.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 12. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
8213 Linton Hall Rd
Gainesville, VA 20155-2997
(703) 753-6700

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 12. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Graveside Services

NOV 12. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Cemetery
6430 Token Forest Drive
Manassas, VA 20112

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Raphaela Charity Nelson*.



November 10, 2020 at 11:03 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Raphaela Charity Nelson*.



November 08, 2020 at 06:56 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Raphaela Charity Nelson*.



November 07, 2020 at 06:54 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of *Raphaela Charity Nelson*.



November 05, 2020 at 02:28 PM

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“ Donna sent a virtual gift in memory of Raphaela
Charity Nelson



Donna - November 04, 2020 at 11:26 AM