



Alexis Smalley

January 1, 1753 - August 16, 2011

Alexis Boo Smalley, entered eternal life August 16, 2011. She is loved by her parents, Jeffery and Kerry Smalley; grandparents, Richard & Lynne and Charles & Cecile; aunts and uncles, Kelly & John, Aaron & Gail and Chris & Lyndsey; and 5 cousins. Memorial contributions may be made in to St Francis Health Center's New Life Center and/or Charley's Angels Newborn Hospital Photography sent in care of the funeral home, 2801 Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. To our little firefly, When your mommy & daddy started our path of life together, it was well lit by the glow of our love. Then something amazing happened! Our road became more clear, our sight further and our steps more sure. Your little light began to fly along with us igniting a joyful radiance from within that burned away our shadows and fears. You gave hope and substance to our dreams. We were gifted with many wonderful visions. We saw you laugh at our funny faces. We comforted you when you cried. We taught you how to get rid of spiders for mommy and catch flies alive like daddy. We laughed to hear you call us to Saturday mornings with your cry of "TOONS, DADDY!". Your mommy saw us going to Karate classes together after you kicked my cheek on her belly and I screamed like a girl. We saw your love for music when you stayed still while we sang your own special version of Old Mac Donald, even when I was off key. We heard you saying your bedtime prayers at night. We saw the questioning look on your face when the only stuffed animal you wanted was your mommy's and not the many of your own. We watched you grow more beautiful like mommy though you had

my duck feet. We saw how you knew to get your daddy to do what you wanted whether by your pleadingly look or showing your math solution that proved riding a bike off a ramp down a steep mountain path was theoretically possible. We lived a lifetime in those few months as we grew and dreamed with you. The brightness dims in your passing. We understand that the world has many storms and shadows, but God has only so many fireflies. May your wings be lifted by our love for you. Please realize that our journey together is brighter knowing that our little firefly is on her mission bringing hope. Thank you Lord for allowing her to spend a few moments with us as a family. God bless and keep you, Alexis Boo. Love, Daddy

Tribute Wall



“ Alexis Smalley

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ I know she will live in your hearts forever. Please know you are in my thoughts.

Heather Stults - August 24, 2011 at 02:41 PM



“ Dear Kerry, Jeff, and family,

You are all in our hearts and in our prayers. Thank you for sharing your precious letter to your beautiful angel, Alexis. May the strength of God and your family be with you every minute.

*We love you,
Dave, Melanie, Jessica and Abigail*

Dave, Melanie, Jessica and Abigail - August 23, 2011 at 08:01 AM



“ Kerry and Jeff, We are so sorry for you loss and send heartfelt condolences.

Linda & Greg Wright - August 19, 2011 at 07:04 PM

MG

“ Dear Kerry and Jeff,
I am a good friend of Lynne's and wanted to send a personal message to you. I know that this is a difficult time and won't pretend to know what you must feel. I believe as you must that Alexis had a purpose for her life, though short lived. Please know that you are both in my heart and I pray that your love will keep you strong. If there is anything my staff and I can do here at KU, please don't hesitate to call.

Maryemma Graham

Maryemma Graham - August 19, 2011 at 11:23 AM

MF

“ Dear Kerry and Jeff,
My heart breaks for you and only time and friends and God will help heal the wound eventually. You will be in my heart and mind. I am so sorry.
Marla

Marla Forst - August 19, 2011 at 10:08 AM

SH

“ Dear little Alexis... Though we won't be able to watch you enjoy the sand on the beach with us as we had hoped, you will always be part of our family. We know that you know that you have a terrific mommy and daddy and most special grandmas and grandpas and that God is working in their (and our) hearts to ease the pain of their (our) loss. We grieve not for you but for ourselves. We know that you're in the arms of Jesus and that He welcomes little ones...we want you here in our world but we really believe that you're in a far better world than the one we know. May you rest in His arms. Love,
Great Aunt Sharon and Uncle Bob

Sharon Hartlein - August 19, 2011 at 08:19 AM

GL

“ Our precious granddaughter Alexis,

We try to understand why God took you into Heaven so soon. Our plans were so different. But our plans were based on what we can see, experience, and understand. It's as if we can see you climbing to mountain tops, but God could see you going much further and higher. Mountain tops are as far as we can see. He can see over and beyond those mountain tops and he knew you were ready for the Heaven that He has for you there.

Your brief time on earth carried tremendous purpose. You shared a love with your mommy and daddy that will always be part of them. You provided them with so much happiness. We too love your mommy and daddy. They are very special, loving parents and we are extremely proud to be your grandparents. To have held you briefly in our arms and to have witnessed their love for you is a gift we treasure. We saw what your daddy has called your “firefly light” in the eyes of all who held you.

You have already meant so much to all of us. We carry our love for you with us as a promise until we finally meet you again. Know that we are at peace with God's plan for you. It's not easy to have you leave us but you have enriched our lives beyond measure.

*Love,
Grandma Lynne*

Grandma Lynne - August 18, 2011 at 09:43 PM

JJ

“ There are no words to truly express how any of us feel at this time. We do send to you from the depths of our hearts many, many prayers...for all that you need to get you through the next days, months and years. We'll ask our angel in heaven to look after Ashley Boo and take good care of her. Please know that there are many that love you, care for you, hurt for you and will do all that we can to help. May God bless, comfort and be with you!

Jolene and Jim - August 18, 2011 at 04:44 PM

BL

“ Dear Kerry and Jeff,

Your loss has affected us all in many ways. Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you both. Alexis was blessed to have such love from two wonderful and special people.

Bette Lopez - August 18, 2011 at 04:43 PM

KM

“ Dear Kerry and Jeff,

There is nothing that can be said to ease this pain. People have said "what can we do?" The answer sadly is "nothing" We can just assure you that we are so sad and we will be here if you need us for anything. I wanted to let you both know that my heart aches for you both and I am sending my prayers and my friendship to wrap around you both. I was thinking of what a wonderful way she started out, being surrounded for all the months by her mommy's love and happiness. And her Daddy's excitement and love. To be loved so much is so wonderful. Your time together was short but full, you enjoyed every moment and it showed to all of us who know you both.

Kim Moran - August 18, 2011 at 01:48 PM

TF

“ Jeff and Kerry,
I am so very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts a prayers.

Sincerely,
The Freeman Family

Tracie Freeman - August 18, 2011 at 01:44 PM

AH

“ My deepest love and condolences to you, my beloved cousin and your beautiful wife Kerri. I love you both. Your lil firefly will always be in my heart. Blessing to you both.

Amy

Amy Hunt - August 18, 2011 at 01:42 PM

GF

“ Jeff your words are beyond touching and so beautiful. My family's thoughts and prayers are with your family my brother.

Greg Gaul and family - August 18, 2011 at 01:20 PM

SD

“ Kathi and I send our most sincere condolences. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Stephen and Kathi Dobelbower - August 17, 2011 at 08:46 PM

TW

“ Jeff. I am soo very sorry for your loss. Me and my family offer our deepest condolences to you and your family. AEKDB Brother. Bama-1211.

Todd "Bama" Wheat - August 17, 2011 at 08:22 PM