

God Took Her to Her Loving Home

God saw her getting tired,
a cure was not to be.
He wrapped her in His loving arms
and whispered "Come to Me.",
She suffered much in silence,
her spirit did not bend,
She faced her pain with courage,
until the very end.
She tried so hard to stay with us
but her fight was not in vain,
God took her to His loving home
and freed her of her pain.



Program and Time of Sharing:

6:00 p.m, Friday, November 28, 2025
Gettysburg High School, Gettysburg, South Dakota

Funeral Mass:

9:00 a.m, Saturday, November 29, 2025
Gettysburg High School, Gettysburg, South Dakota

Concelebrants:

Bishop Donald DeGroot
Father Joseph Holzhauser

Pallbearers:

Tyler Fischer - Michael Fischer
Andy Mikkelsen - Chris Ampe - Jordan Roman

Honorary Pallbearers:

Class of 2036

Musicians:

Nancy Smith
Morghana Full & Sarah Thorne

Songs:

"On Eagles Wings"
"You Are Mine"
"I Am The Bread of Life"
"Song of Farewell"
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Placing of the Pall (Aunts):

Katelyn Ampe - Amber Mikkelsen
Kelcey Robbennolt - Kelsey Fischer
Megan Ellens - Morgan Marshall - Bailey Roman

Offertory: Nathanael & Julie Williams Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Dawn Melius & Michael Fischer

Servers: Nash Fischer, Garrett & Gavin Rausch

Lector: Taylor Poor

Guestbook:

Megan Cebulla - Kirsten Hansen
Rachel Lake - Lindsey Poeppel

Ushers:

Jordan Ackerman - Austin Lake
Eric Butz - Jake Ronke

Burial:

Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery
Gettysburg, South Dakota

Family warmly invites you to join them for lunch and continued fellowship at the school following the burial.

Forever In Our Hearts

Ava Marie Robbennolt



July 12, 2018
November 22, 2025





Ava Marie Robbennolt, 7, of Gettysburg, danced her way into the gates of Heaven on Saturday, November 22, 2025, at Sanford Children's Hospital Sioux Falls, surrounded by her loving parents and family.

In honor of sweet Ava, please wear purple or pink, any shade, or your Ava's Army shirt and all the sparkles and glitter. Let's fill the room with the colors of her laughter, her love, and her light.

Ava Marie Robbennolt was born July 12, 2018, to Blake and Blair (Roman) Robbennolt in Pierre, SD.

Ava was a 2nd grader at Gettysburg Elementary School. She enjoyed reading, recess, music, and being involved in Student Council. She loved playing basketball and soccer and was excited about trying out volleyball this year. When she wasn't at school, she'd be at the park, with dad at the farm, at her cousin's or home doing crafts. She loved our Friday movie nights with pizza and treats. She was constantly dancing around and singing with her microphone. She was the best big sister and little mama to her two brothers. Ava had the most infectious smile and laugh, the most beautiful eyelashes and lips, and the spunkiest, sweetest soul. She had a way of befriending everyone she met. She was particularly looking forward to receiving her First Communion this year, she was blessed to be able to receive that as well as her Confirmation from Bishop DeGrood.

Ava was diagnosed with myoepithelial carcinoma and chondrosarcoma in March of 2024. She quickly became the bravest warrior we ever knew and was the spirit of "Ava's Army." Although her fight with cancer was short, she had been through more in those 21 months than most adults and she had a smile on her face through most of it. Her legacy of joy, kindness and silliness will live on forever.

Ava will forever be missed by her parents: Blake and Blair of Gettysburg; younger brothers: Finn and Rhett; grandparents: Steve and Laurie Robbennolt of Gettysburg and Britt and Twila Roman of Sioux Falls; great-grandparents: Roger and Jan Melius of Faulkton

and Tommy and Linda Willis of Louisiana; aunts and uncles: Katelyn and Chris Ampe of Minnesota, Kelcey Robbennolt and Chance Terrill of Redfield, Amber and Andy Mikkelsen, Tyler and Kelsey Fischer, Michael Fischer and Taylor Jens all of Gettysburg, Matt and Megan (Fischer) Ellens of Madison, Morgan and Gaige Marshall of Sioux Falls, Jordan Roman of Gettysburg, and Bailey Roman of Sioux Falls; cousins: Olivia, Neva and Isabelle Mikkelsen, Nash, Charlie, Daxton and Croix Fischer, Camdon Fischer, Tucker Terrill, and Griffin and Halle Marshall; godmother: Megan Cebulla of Minnesota; godfather: Jake Ronke of Watertown; and countless friends, classmates, and Sanford family.

Ava was preceded in death by her angel brothers/sisters; Grandma Marie Robbennolt; uncle DJ Fischer; cousin Penelope Marshall; and many other guardian angels.

A memorial account has been established in Ava's Honor at First Interstate Bank, 111 N East St, Gettysburg, SD 57442.



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