



# Samuel Bradley Dyke

December 27, 2011 - May 23, 2022

Samuel Bradley Dyke, age 10, of Buford, Georgia, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on May 23, 2022 at Children's Scottish Rite Hospital surrounded by family and friends after a gallant journey with various health issues.

He is survived by his devoted and loving parents, Mathew Dyke and his wife, Katy Post Dyke of Buford, GA; biological mother, Lauren R. Mansfield of LA; paternal grandmother, Gwyn Lewis Dyke of Dacula, GA; maternal grandparents, Bob and Sheri Blood Post of Monroe, GA; maternal grandmother, Becky Pierce of TX and maternal grandfather, Brad Mansfield of TX; paternal aunt, Rayna Dyke of Dacula, GA; paternal uncle, Philip Dyke and wife Mary Claire Dyke (coming in July, Samuel's new cousin, Molly) of Roswell, GA; maternal aunt & uncle, Sarah Brice Post & Jonathon Robert Post of Lawrenceville, GA; cousins, Harper & MacKenzie Post; maternal aunt, Sarah Mansfield and children; maternal half-sister, Eden Paschal; many great aunts, great uncles, other relatives, Samuel's devoted teachers this year, Ms. Nelson, Ms. Carley and Ms. Jill and his friends at school.

Samuel was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Gene Mathews Dyke on March 13, 2015; paternal great grandparents, Colonel Samuel E. Dyke and Betty S. Dyke; maternal great grandmother, Nicki Loftin Blood and maternal great grandfather, Leonard E. Blood.

Samuel was born in Norfolk, Virginia on December 27, 2011 while his father was serving in the Navy. From the very start Samuel was a child bound to keep you on your toes. At 14 days old, he became very ill and required an extensive hospital stay. During that time Samuel left his family for a frightening 11 minutes, but being the fighter he was, Samuel came back and made a full recovery. Anyone that has ever met or known Samuel, knows that he was a child that would do everything on his own time and that hearing "no" was never an option. When he was diagnosed with autism and severe learning delays, many professionals told his family that Samuel may not meet certain milestones or be able to do certain things. He took on that challenge and defiantly proved them all wrong. He loved to run and do "jumping, jumping." He was constantly asking to play in the sand or woodchips

at the park and would track them all over the house, he was the family's "dirt child." Samuel loved his seahorse and frog, light bright, Legos, beans, Mickey Mouse, Daniel Tiger and most importantly his screws. If you were ever in Samuel's presence you were certain to hear "Hi Hi", "want tickles...say please", or "want piggies please." He was never without laughter, in fact it is how his family knew he was sleepy, and he would turn into a "giggle box." Samuel brought joy and love to all that knew him and being without him now has defiantly left a darkness that cannot be replaced.

He was currently a 4th grader at Woodward Mill Elementary School and would have entered the 5th grade next year. Samuel loved going to the park, getting cuddles, blankets, tickles, "This Little Piggy", "Ride a Little Pony" as well as favorite foods were classic "Samuel." He was so beloved by everyone that came in contact with him during his lifetime.

A Celebration of Life Service for Samuel will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 11:00 A.M. at Gwinnett Church, 300 Peachtree-Industrial Blvd., Sugar Hill, GA 30518 (770-521-3000) in the Student Bldg. with Pastor Jeremy Dolan officiating. The family will receive friends after the service in the Foyer of the Student Bldg. In lieu of flowers, Mat and Katy ask that donations be made to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation, 1575 Northeast Expressway, Atlanta, GA 30329 or Marcus Autism Center, 1920 Briarcliff Rd., Atlanta, GA 30329 or Gwinnett Parks Foundation, P.O. Box 3475, Lilburn, GA 30048-3475 in memory of Samuel Dyke. Condolences may be sent or viewed at [www.wagesfuneralhome.com](http://www.wagesfuneralhome.com). Tom M. Wages Funeral Service, 120 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 (770-963-2411) has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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# Tribute Wall



“ He was a handsome young man. He loved his Little Bites and his toys. His family was indescribable on how well they took care of him and loved him. That smile and eyes will be missed. But, will be united one day. Sam and Christine Dyke



Sam Dyke - May 31 at 04:55 PM

BG

“ Taught and prayers of comfort to you all. Samuel and my son were in the same classroom for aftercare. He's always smiling and so happy.



B. Gayle - May 26 at 10:31 PM

SR

“ Bob, Sherry, Katy, Jonathan:

*I am heartbroken to learn of the passing of this bright light in your family. I fully understand the need for privacy and immediate family grieving at this time. But if there is anything I can do to help, please call and let me know. I will be there*

*We are praying for peace and healing during these sad and difficult times.*

*Steve Rolader*

Steve Rolader - May 26 at 07:10 AM

GD

“ My “sweet boy-a,” I will miss you so much and love you beyond words. I thank God for bringing you into our lives, and thank Him for granting us peace, especially Mathew and Katy who were such wonderful parents.



Gwyn Dyke - May 25 at 11:38 AM