



## Gretchen Elizabeth Darby

September 9, 1996 ~ July 7, 2025

Gretchen Elizabeth Darby was born at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City on September 9th, 1996.

She lived with her mother Linda and father Christian at 225 E. 96th street for just a few months before beginning a journey of stops that would have her living in Oregon, Southern California, Utah and back to Oregon. Lake Oswego, Oregon is where she really ended up growing up. She attended Palisades Elementary School, Waluga Junior High and graduated from Lakeridge High School.

Gretchen always loved little children. She had a gift. We used to say she was the 'Pied Piper' of little kids and they would follow her wherever she went. Gretchen received an associates degree from Utah Valley University and a Bachelors degree from Southern Utah University before becoming a first grade teacher. She was also an artist and loved to draw and paint and make. Gretchen loved music, laughter, pretty things, dressing up and Taylor Swift. She loved being surrounded by beauty.

Gretchen is survived by her parents Christian and Linda and her three sisters Margaret, Leah and Gabrielle.