

James Reed Maughan

August 10, 2023 ~ February 15, 2024

James Reed Maughan passed away to be with his loving Heavenly Father on February 15, 2024, due to an unexpected cardiac event.

James was born healthy and happy on August 10, 2023. His family instantly fell in love with his big eyes and huge smile, and he brought them so much joy and love. He was a sweet happy little boy and he filled his home with a special spirit. His mommy and daddy called him “budgkins” and “little budge”. James loved listening to music. He would stare into his mommy’s eyes as she sang him Primary songs, and if he ever was fussy, sitting at the piano with his daddy to play music and sing would instantly make him happy. James was an observer who loved to sit on the couch with his mommy and his grandma and turn his head back and forth as he watched his big sister and his dog run and play. He thought his big sister was the coolest thing ever, and happily sat through many “checkups” while she played doctor. He loved being his sister’s car buddy and would never cry or fall asleep during family car rides.

James was born with a cleft lip, and due to that, he had the widest and goofiest smile that made everyone around him happy. James went through a lot in his short life, including nasal-alveolar molding to prepare for cleft surgery, lip and nose surgery in December of 2023, and a hospital stay when he contracted RSV in January of 2024. James never stopped being a happy baby through these hard times. He was smiling and laughing the day after both of his hospital stays.

James is the son of Cody and Emily Maughan, and the little brother of Annie Maughan. His maternal grandparents are Reed and Susan Chandler. His living paternal grandparents are Chris and Bridget Strama, and Alan and Kim Maughan. He is now with his late grandmother Jane Maughan, his loving Heavenly Father, and his Savior Jesus Christ. James leaves behind a legacy of faith, and his parents look forward to the day when they can be reunited with him as an eternal family.

Funeral services will be held at the Val Verda 3rd ward (2651 South 500 West, Bountiful, UT) on February 22, 2024. There will be a viewing at 10:00 a.m. followed by services at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be at Memorial Lakeview Mortuary and Cemetery (1640 Lakeview Dr, Bountiful, UT).