



## Joseph Tucker Lorton

*May 3, 2007 ~ March 16, 2021*

On the night of March 16th, our beautiful Joey, returned to heaven following a tragic accident. He was 13 years old. Joey loved his family and loved to serve others. He attended school at the Utah Military Academy where he found his place in this world. He loved his country and desired to serve in the Marines once he graduated high school.

Joey was fascinated to know how things worked. He would tinker in his room or in his workshop where he would take things apart. From this practice, Joe would either learn how it worked, save the parts for another project, or fix the problem. He understood the value of making something last. He also spent time with his father helping renovate the house to continue making room for others.

Joseph was always willing to serve his neighbors with no questions. He was quick to mow a lawn, shovel a driveway and help wherever he could. When he was little, he would often sneak away to his adopted neighborhood grandmas where they would give him treats and lots of kisses.

Joey loved animals, but none more than his dog Steve. Steve would always find a way to cuddle up with Joey.

Joe was a natural storyteller. Given any random prompt, he could create the most outlandish stories. His sense of humor was always on display at home and around friends. Joey always appreciated a good laugh and knew how to deliver it! Even as a three year old, he took credit for the shoes hanging on the telephone wire!

Joey loved his country. He attended the Utah Military Academy in Lehi, UT. He found direction, structure and respect there. He desired to serve in the Marines once he graduated high school and had a plan already in place to achieve that goal early. He wore his school uniforms with pride and never shied away from sharing his love for our nation.

Joseph served honorably in his church callings. He was a leader amongst the young men in his ward. He was always on time and prepared to take care of his church responsibilities.

In lieu of flowers we ask that you fly a flag, open the door for a lady or do an act of service for someone. This is how Joey would love to be honored.

Survived by: His parents Gabriel and Jeanaea Lorton. His siblings Isaak (Jennica), Jakob, Max, Henry, and Whisper. His nephew Ivan. His Grandmother's Bonnie Christensen and Mary Lorton. His uncle's, Arthur (Stacey), David (Jenn), Phillip, and Russ. His aunt's Melissa, Lara, Marylynn (Doug) and Sheryl. Many, many cousins and Great's. So many adopted family members that meant the world to him and us.

Preceded in death by: His grandfather's Lynn Christensen and Leonard Lorton Jr. and his uncle Leonard Lorton III.

Services will be held Saturday, March 27, 2021 at 1pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 1555 W. Lovely Rd, Taylorsville, UT 84123. A viewing will be held prior to the funeral from 11am – 12:45pm at the same location.

Interment will be at Larkin Sunset Gardens at 1950 E. 10600 S Sandy, UT 84092 following the funeral.