

Karl Jacob Finch

October 23, 2008 ~ November 1, 2021

Karl Jacob Finch was born on October 23, 2008 at Intermountain Medical Center to parents, Jacob D. Finch and Melissa M. King Finch. He was a beautiful baby with the longest toes and most slender fingers we had ever seen. We knew he was destined to be a piano player from the start.

Karl is a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He was baptized and confirmed at the age of 8 years on 5 Nov. 2016. He continued in his faith by attending weekly church meetings and youth activities. On 5 Jan. 2020, he was ordained to the office of a Deacon and later was called to serve as the Deacon Quorum President. He fulfilled this calling diligently week after week.

Karl is a person that wants to know everything. There is nothing that isn't worth investigating. He learned how to cook after watching Alton Brown on the Food Network. His best recipes include: the General's Fried Chicken, Tomorrow French fries, and Weeknight Spaghetti (this one includes anchovies, which Karl had no problem tossing in his mouth to test for quality!) He began a Family and Consumer Science class this fall where he was learning how to sew. He knows how to play chess…and win. He loves to read. He usually has at least 3 books going at the same time. He was starting his 3rd year in piano lessons. His skill with mastering piano technique is amazing. His favorite pieces include: Cantina Band(Star Wars), This is Halloween(The Nightmare Before Christmas), and Gravity Falls. He was awarded a Superior rating for his piano solo in the National Federation of Music Clubs in 2021.

Growing up, Karl tried various ways to keep his body healthy through physical activity. He has participated in martial arts, Jr. Jazz basketball, skateboarding, long boarding, bicycling, ice skating, swimming, and his favorite…baseball. Karl started t-ball in the Taylorsville Youth Baseball league and continued each year after and progressed to being on the Cardinals Majors team. This had some conflict in the family as we are all avid Cubs fans. If you are a fan of the game, you know that the Cardinals and Cubs are bitter rivals. Karl didn't mind though because he just loves to play. Karl is talented enough to play wherever his coach needs him to play. He worked on being a skilled catcher and that quickly became his favorite position. He earned the nickname "Captain Clutch" from his coach because Karl has nerves of steel and could always get the team through a rough patch in a game. His patience at the plate earned him a sweet on base percentage that always encouraged the team. Karl is a great leader and is always trying to find ways to build up confidence in his teammates and lead by his example. He is a confident player, yet never boastful.

Learning in school comes naturally to Karl. He grasps concepts readily and easily. He studied Mandarin Chinese through a dual immersion program at Calvin Smith Elementary and continued in a Chinese class and Chinese Culture Club at Bennion Junior High School. On occasion he and his brother would have private conversations in Mandarin that would cause slight confusion to their parents. It was awesome! His love of learning earned him good

grades on many advanced levels. Upon graduating elementary school, Karl was presented a certificate and pin for Outstanding Academic Achievement through the President's Education Awards Program. He loves all his teachers and was sad to move to new classrooms until he found out that he loved those teachers, too.

On his downtime, Karl loves to watch Mark Rober, Mr. Beast, Dr. Who, and videos about Disneyland. He likes to create things and has the mind of an engineer—always wanting to know how things work. He has been working on a novel that he had hopes to publish one day. He also enjoys spending time at the Bitner Ranch. Whether it was climbing a ladder to the hayloft to swing on a rope, climbing the stairs to the scary attic, or hiking around the property—Karl always found something to do there. It is a favorite birthday spot for him. Each fall, he also hunts for mule deer with his dad and cousins.

Karl is the oldest of four children. He is the stereotypical big brother. He helps his brother and sisters daily with a quick and willing attitude. He set a great path for them to follow in his footsteps.

Karl left this mortal existence on Nov 1, 2021 after a severe head trauma he received after an auto-pedestrian accident. He is greatly missed and will be forever remembered in the community.

Karl is survived by his parents: Jacob D and Melissa M Finch (King) and his siblings: Jackson Finch, Felicity Finch, and Lillian Finch

Karl is preceded in death by his great grandparents: Juanita Carter (Conner), Art Carter, Karl M. Conner, Vurrell Finch, and Michael Andrews.

A viewing will be held Friday, November 5, 2021 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 6250 S 2200 W. Taylorsville, UT 84129. Funeral services will be held Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 6250 S 2200 W. Taylorsville, UT 84129. Family and friends may call upon the family one hour prior to the service.

Interment will follow at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park 3401 S. Highland Dr. Millcreek, UT 84106