



Leon Alexander Duke

July 18, 2012 - November 18, 2015

Leon "Leo" Alexander Duke, 3, of Mooresville, passed away on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. He was born on July 18, 2012 in Rapid City, SD, and placed in his forever home on April 25, 2014 with adoptive parents, John Paul Duke and Nicole Marie Ritchie. Leo was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, James Leon Duke, Sr. In addition to his parents, he is survived by brothers, Gabriel Paul and Eli Jackson Duke; half-brother, Samuel Paul Duke; paternal grandparents, Rosemary and Robert Fielder; maternal great grandmother, Mickey Ritchie. The family will receive friends on Sunday, November 22 from 3:00-5:00 PM followed by a service at 5:00 PM at the Heritage House of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home with Rev. Tom McCrea officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Joshua Frase Foundation, P.O. Box 2041, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32004.

Tribute Wall



“ *Leon Alexander Duke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Leon Alexander Duke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Leon Alexander Duke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Leo, You were so inspirational at such a young age. You faced so many challenges and handled them bravely and with a level of optimism that is truly amazing. You be will missed but never forgotten as you have touched out hearts forever. We are all so blessed to have an angel like you watching over us now. Love you Leo*

November 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nicole and John Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs to you all. I am so sorry for your loss of Leo.*

Juliana Nleya - November 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Nicole and John your love and devotion to Leo gave him more in his short life than many children ever have. I truly believe he is riding his bike in Heaven unencumbered and full of joy. He will always be in our hearts, and we pray for peace in your heart for you and the boys in the days to come. Love Aunt Rhonda and Donna

Rhonda Hicks - November 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ John and Nicole,I am so sorry for your loss of Leo. You both are amazing parents. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers and I will continue to pray for you all to find strength, peace, and comfort in the days and months ahead.

Diana Tilley - November 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ John and Nicole I am so sorry for the loss of Leo. He was such an inspiration to me. I only took care of him for a short time but he touched my heart forever. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Debbie Gagliardo

Debbie Gagliardo - November 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Nicole and John, Words can't express how sad I am to learn of Leo's passing. He was a fighter and such a joy and inspiration to work with. Please know he will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Andrea Guidetti - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Nicole, I am very sorry for the loss of your son. My prayers and thoughts are with you. May you find comfort and peace in knowing that you were able to love such a beautiful child and he to love you.

Cassandra Loftin - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ John and Nicole, We are so sorry to hear of your son's passing. Please know that your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Jennifer and Ryan Cannon - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ John and Nicole, I am so sorry about the loss of Leon. He was a fighter and you both gave him the opportunity and love that's found in a forever home.

Susan Kulenkamp - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ I am so sorry for your heartbreaking loss. You are all in my prayers.

Donna Worrell - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ John and Nicole I am so very sorry about your loss. He was a brave little boy who fought very hard. You and Nicole gave him a chance to be part of a forever family.

Susan Kulenkamp - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Nicole I was saddened to hear about the loss of your son Leon. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Karen Cruz - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CY

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your beautiful little boy. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Chris Yockey - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Leo was such a happy little boy. A real fighter. He will be missed.

Loretta Brown - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ Nicole I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your son. Please know that you are in my prayers and thoughts. My prayer is that you will find peace and comfort going forward and in the days to come after.

Nzingha Reel - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Nicole: I am so sorry for your loss. I know how much you loved your son. You and your family are in my prayers.

Renee Ebalaroza - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ My deepest and most sincere condolences

Eric Greenwell - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May your heart and soul find peace and comfort. With heartfelt condolences,

Nesamet Afework - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Our little Leo Lion fought so hard with lots of smiles. He will live forever in our hearts.

Teilla Drury - November 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your lil man. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers

Cheryl Lord - November 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ For my 'lil lion Leo who fought so hard all of his short life. God Bless.

November 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ John, Connie and I are so sad to hear of the loss of Leon. You and Nicole will be in our prayers. God Bless

Hugh & Connie Sykes - November 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM