



THERE'S A GIRL
who sells sunlight

THERE'S A GIRL WHO SELLS SUNLIGHT TO
WARD OFF THE GLOOM;
TO BRIGHTEN THE DARK NIGHTS TILL
AGAIN FLOWERS BLOOM.
THERE'S A GIRL WHO SELLS SUNLIGHT
AT THE OLD MARKET SQUARE.
SHE HAS AMBER IN HER EYES AND
FLAMES IN HER HAIR.

THERE'S A GIRL WHO SELLS SUNLIGHT
SHE STOLE FROM THE DAY
BUT THE SUN DOESN'T MIND IT,
AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY.
THERE'S A GIRL WHO SELLS SUNLIGHT,
THREE JARS FOR A POUND,
THOUGH THEY DON'T SHINE SO BRIGHTLY
AS THE GIRL THAT I'VE FOUND.

Ellis Nightingale

FOREVER
loved



Lucy Vivian Hein

BORROWED FROM HEAVEN

January 12, 2020

RETURN TO HEAVEN

November 6, 2024



Obituary

Lucy began her life full of joy and surprise by coming into this world swiftly on January 12, 2020, at her home in Wing. From the moment she arrived, she challenged everyone around her to grow while remaining the sweetest, most joyful little girl.

There are no words sufficient enough to describe our sweet girl. She simply was pure joy and love. While we were never able to hear her voice words, Lucy made her thoughts well known with her vibrant smile, silly faces, sweet giggles, and her famous smirks and scowls. She loved the simple things in life: music, animals, baths, snacks, people, and books. If she wasn't pushing buttons on her music toys, she was dragging a book over for you to read to her. If anyone went into the bathroom in her sight, she insisted it must be bath time again. Lucy lucked out by having patient, loving animals in her life to endure her intense hugs.

Much of Lucy's social life was spent with her cherished therapists. These dear people got to see the brunt of Lucy's stubborn sweetness. She worked hard in physical, occupational, and speech therapy from the time she was a few months old all the way until the last day of her life. We are forever grateful for the support of every person who worked with Lucy to give her the most independence possible. Along with all of the love with which they showered her. We were also blessed with a team of healthcare professionals who loved on and kept a close eye on our sweet girl, who also cared for us as her parents.

Lucy was a proud little sister to Elliot, always wanting her big sister to read to her or wrestle with her on the floor. Like any little sister, Lucy just loved to be included in whatever Elliot was up to. Lucy was her mom's best sidekick, coming along to many client and doula meetings and everyday errands in between Lucy's therapy and doctor appointments. Lucy's mom grew into her role as caregiver over the years and has been stretched and forever changed in the best way by this journey. Lucy's favorite thing to do, however, was to hug her daddy's head and rub his hair. There's nothing like being held up high by Dad, and he was able to get the biggest giggles out of Lucy. She was always so proud to hang out with Dad on their golf cart rides around the farm.

If Lucy had one favorite thing in life, it was people. Truly, anyone who took the time to interact with Lucy was touched by her sweetheart. She was the most social little girl and brought joy everywhere she went.

Lucy's recent favorite activity was going to school. Lucy attended preschool three mornings week, and it was the highlight of her days. She woke up beaming when we asked if she was ready to go to school, and then cried when we picked her up to go home because she didn't want to leave. Her school family treated her like a queen, and gave her so much love in her short time there. We are humbled by the level of acceptance she was shown by everyone at school and in our community.

Lucy's grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and neighbors are among were the most favorite people in her life. She enjoyed countless snuggles and silly times spent with her people. We all rearranged our days to accommodate "Lucy naps" so she could be included in the fun.

While we are shattered that Lucy had to leave this world so soon, we choose to believe she was sent to us for a reason. She showed us how to love and find joy in any situation, and to cherish the people around us. We will miss everything about our sweet girl.

Lucy will be forever loved and deeply missed by her parents Alison (Celley) and Frank Hein, big sister Elliot Hein, grandparents Ronald and Julie Hein and Tamra and Roland Celley Jr., great grandparents Butch and Pat Hochhalter, Julia Celley, and Eileen Hochhalter, aunts and uncles Jake and Jenna Hein (Trevor, Levi and Miles), Nolan and Ella Swenson (Maxine and Clara), Aaron and Amber Celley (Evelyn, Joanna and Hannah). Along with many more aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family members and friends.

Lucy is preceded in death by her great grandparents Henry and Ruth Hein, Roland Celley Sr., and Ted Hochhalter, along with great uncles and aunts Mike and Kelly Hochhalter, Mary (Celley) and Jerome Fischer, and Donna (Celley) Bjerklie.

In lieu of flowers and financial gifts to the family, please consider donating to either of the following organizations in memory of Lucy Hein:

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"As is a tale, so is a life:
Not how long it is, but
how good it is, is what
matters."

