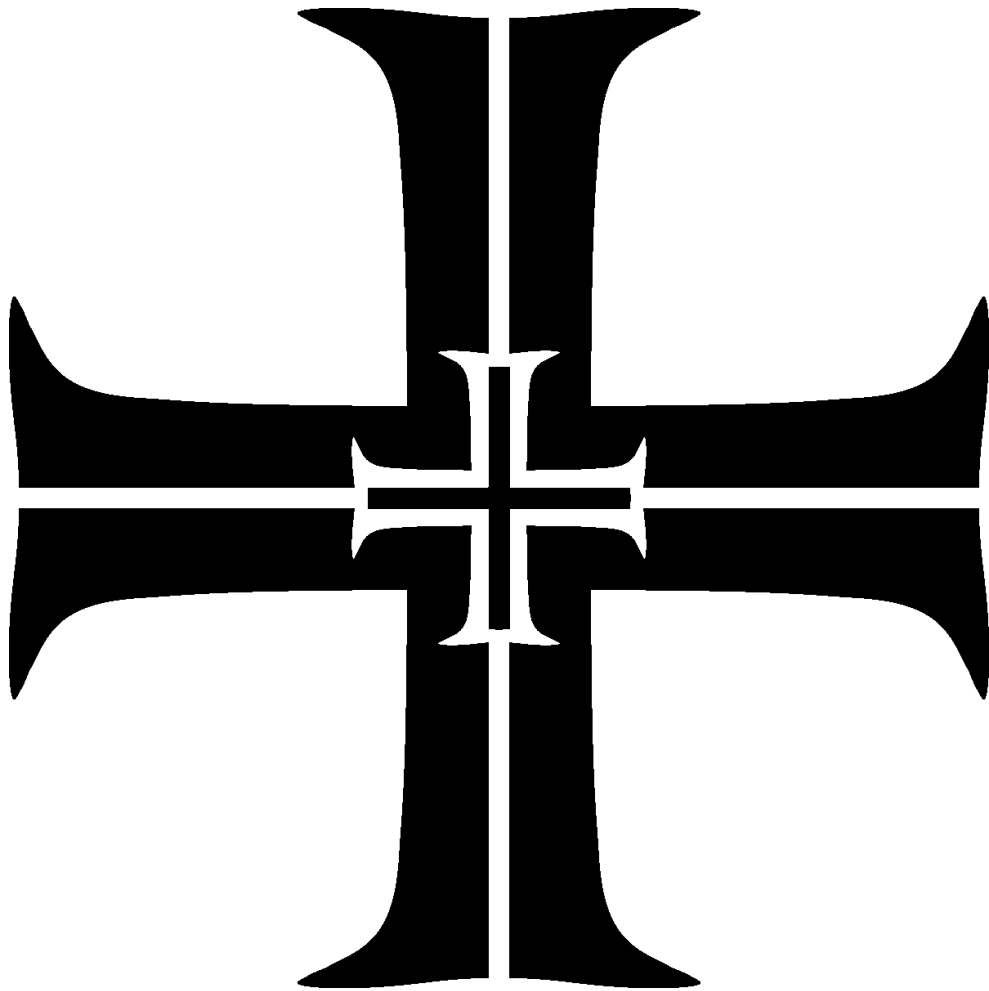


Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church



The Burial of the Dead: Rite Two with Holy Communion

**Charles "Charlie" Major Van Eman
August 19, 2013 - April 7, 2026**

I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector
The Rev. Linda Ford, Deacon
The Burial of the Dead: Rite Two with Holy Communion

The Rev. Matt Stone, Preacher
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music
April 18, 2026, 10:30 AM

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OPENING VOLUNTARY: Selections by J.S. Bach, G.F. Handel, and Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 213 Come Away to the Skies

The people stand.

Unison or harmony

1 Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a - rise and re -
2 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our
3 For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to share, both the
4 We with thanks do ap - prove the de - sign of that love which hath
*5 Hal - le - lu - jah we sing, to our Fa - ther and King, and his

1 joyce in the day thou wast born; — on this fes - ti - val day,
2 hea - ven - ly Fa - ther be - stowed, — while his grace we re - ceive
3 na - ture and king - dom di - vine! — Now cre - a - ted a - gain
4 joined us to Je - sus' — Name; — so u - ni - ted in heart,
5 rap - tu - rous prais - es, re - peat: — to the Lamb that was slain,

1 come ex - ult - ing a - way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn. —
2 from his boun - ty, and live to the hon - or and glo - ry of God. —
3 that our lives may re - main, through - out time and e - ter - ni - ty thine. —
4 let us nev - er - more part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb. —
5 hal - le - lu - jah a - gain, sing, all heav - en, and fall at his feet. —

BURIAL COLLECT (BCP p. 493)

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose beloved Son took children into his arms and blessed them: Give us grace to entrust Charlie, to your never-failing care and love, and bring us all to your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with the Van Eman family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-5,9 (BCP p. 494)
The people sit.

Alexis Vinsant

A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

People The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

Cynthia Gutierrez

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
 from where is my help to come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD, *
 the maker of heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved *
 and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
 shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- ⁵ The LORD himself watches over you; *
 the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- ⁶ So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
 nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
 it is he who shall keep you safe.
- ⁸ The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
 from this time forth for evermore.

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

We do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling-- if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN WLP 810 You Who Dwell (On Eagle's Wings)

The people stand.

Michael Joncas

Verse 1

1. You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a - bide in his

to Refrain

1. shad-ow for life, say to the Lord: "My ref-uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the

breath of dawn, make you to shine like the

to Verses (last time to Coda) ⊕

sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

⊕ Coda

And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

Verse 2

2. The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring

2. you no fear: un-der his wings your ref-uge, his faith-ful-ness your shield. to Refrain

Verse 3

3. You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by

3. day; though thou-sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come. to Refrain

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GOSPEL READING: John 14:1-6 (BCP p. 495)

Then, all standing, the Deacon appointed reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

At the end of the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

REFLECTIONS

Bill and Angela Van Eman

HOMILY

The Rev. Matt Stone

THE APOSTLES' CREED (BCP p. 496)

The Apostles' Creed may be said, all standing. The Celebrant may introduce the Creed with these or similar words

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Celebrant and People

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people remain standing.

The Deacon or other person appointed says

In the peace of God, let us pray, responding "*Lord, have mercy.*"

In the assurance of your mercy, in thanksgiving for the life of your child Charlie, and in confident expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Remember Charlie's parents, Bill and Angela. Help them to hold each other in their hearts, that this sorrow may draw them together and not tear them apart, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Remember Charlie's brothers Henry and George, that they may be enfolded in love, comforted in fear, honored in their grief, and kept safe, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Remember all the family and friends of Charlie, that they may know the consolation of your love, and may hold Charlie in their love all the days of their lives, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Support them in their grief, and be present to all who mourn, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Teach us to be patient and gentle with ourselves and each other as we grieve, we pray
Lord, have mercy.

Help us to know and accept that we will be reunited at your heavenly banquet, we pray

Lord, have mercy.

Finally, our God, help us become co-creators of a world in which children are happy, healthy, loved and do not know want or hunger, we pray

Lord, have mercy.

The Minister concludes the prayers with this Collect

Compassionate God, your ways are beyond our understanding, and your love for those whom you create is greater by far than ours; comfort all who grieve for this child, Charlie. Give them the faith to endure the wilderness of bereavement and bring them in the fullness of time to share with Charlie the light and joy of your eternal presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY HYMN 490 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
I want to look at Je-sus.
I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right-cous-ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, and there are three systems of music with lyrics. The first system has three lines of lyrics. The second system has three lines of lyrics. The third system has three lines of lyrics. The score ends with a final cadence in the bass clef.

star of my life— is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy— of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The
 night and the day are both a - like. The
 Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*
a tempo
 Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 367)

The Celebrant says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S 129 *Holy, holy, holy (Powell)*

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people remain standing.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

**We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 364)

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365)

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Good Good Father” by Chris Tomlin

[1] I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone

CHORUS

You're a good, good father
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

[2] I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only you provide
'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

BRIDGE

You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways to us

[3] Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still

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"I'm in the Lord's Army"

I may never march in the infantry
Ride in the cavalry
Shoot the artillery
I may never fly o'er the enemy
But I'm in the Lord's army (Yes sir!)

I'm in the Lord's army (Yes sir!)
I'm in the Lord's army (Yes sir!)

HYMN 335 I am the Bread of Life



1 I am the bread of life; they who
2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
3 (Un-) less you eat of the
4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
4 I am the life. They who be -
5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
5 Son of God who has



1 me — un - less the — Fa - ther draw them.
2 ev - er. — they shall live for ev - er.
3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
4 die, — they shall live for ev - er.
5 come — in - to — the — world. —

Descant
And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain
And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 498)

The people stand.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The people may join in saying this prayer

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMENDATION (BCP p. 499)

The people remain standing.

The Celebrant and other ministers take their places at the urn.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
**where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Charlie. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

THE COMMITTAL

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 473 Lift High the Cross

Descant
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain
the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 502)

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Sonata No. 3 in A Major, Op. 65, first movement, *Con moto maestoso*
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 507

Please join the Van Eman Family for a reception at First Methodist Church, Bryan
(506 E. 28th St.)

Charles "Charlie" Major Van Eman passed away at his home on April 7, 2026, surrounded by his family following a courageous battle with cancer. Charlie was born to Angela and Bill Van Eman on August 19, 2013, in College Station, Texas. Since that day, Charlie brought joy and laughter to all who loved him.

Charlie was raised in Bryan, Texas where he attended Sam Houston Elementary School and Sam Rayburn Intermediate School. He was a member at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church where he served as an acolyte. Charlie was baptized on February 9, 2014, and confirmed on September 28, 2025.

Charlie was an excellent student and loved learning, especially from his many favorite teachers. During his hospital stays, Charlie learned military time and had since set his watch and bedroom clock to 24-hour time. Charlie found joy in taking cooking classes, cooking for his family, and participating as part of the Master Chefs Team in the 4H Food Challenge. He had recently perfected his raspberry sauce recipe.

Charlie was a huge Texas Rangers fan and was active in Harvey Little League Baseball, where he and his family made lifelong friends. He also loved kickball, basketball, playing video games, and Pokémon. Charlie's favorite animal was his dog Tucker, and he was certain the feeling was mutual, a fact that Tucker has never denied.

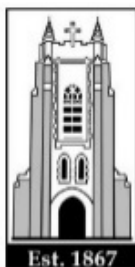
One of Charlie's greatest joys was found in the Texas Hill Country at Laity Lodge, a love that started at Family Camp and grew at Singing Hills where he attended youth camp for the last four summers. Charlie also treasured his time playing at his family's Davis Mountains ranch (especially riding in the Polaris) and attending Bloys' Campmeeting, the latest generation to attend in a 136-year family tradition. Charlie adored his brothers, loved his family and friends deeply, and was a good friend to all.

Charlie is survived by his parents Angela and Bill and his brothers Henry and George Van Eman; grandparents Kevin and Jacquelyn Manhal and Jan Van Eman; uncles Murray Van Eman and Jeremiah Birmingham and their children Thomas and Frank Van Eman; and numerous other cousins who loved him greatly. Charlie was preceded in death by grandfather C. M. "Charky" Van Eman and great grandmother Georgie Lee Kahl.

The family would like to thank Dr. Patricia Goen for her support and guidance and all of the amazing nurses and child life specialists who made Charlie's stays in the hospital more comfortable.

Cole Fannin, Asher Freeman, Joshua French, Jack McKee, Dezman Mendez, Miles Riggins, and Brady Zwerneman will serve as honorary pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers or to honor Charlie's memory, donations may be made to the Charlie Van Eman Memorial Fund at Adam's Army Pediatric Cancer Foundation, Turn it Gold, or to the charity of your choice.



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