



## Macklen Joseph Peterson

March 28, 2015 - February 8, 2017

Macklen passed away at home in his parents loving arms on February 8, 2017 after a 1 year courageous battle against Neuroblastoma Cancer. He was born on March 28, 2015 in Bellingham to Darin and Shari (Ter Wisscha) Peterson.

Macklen enjoyed being held by his parents and grandparents and cuddling with his stuffed animals, especially Bunny Bun Buns. He loved being pushed in his bike around the house and the halls of the hospital, dancing to music, reading books, car-rides, seeing the big trucks on his many trips to Seattle, and watching Mickey Mouse Clubhouse. He was loved by all who met him. Macklen's gentle smile could melt the hearts of those around him including the staff at Seattle Children's Hospital. With Macklen's passing we remind others that his life is one to be celebrated.

Although we will miss him every day, especially his big smile, dimples and blue eyes, he will forever remain in our hearts.

In addition to his Parents, Macklen is survived by his Brother Brayden Clark, Grandparents Joe and Marlene Peterson and Dale and Marlene Ter Wisscha, Great-Grandma Fran Ter Wisscha, Aunt Kristin Larsen, Uncles Don Peterson, Kevin (Jewel) Ter Wisscha, and Scott (Sidney) Ter Wisscha, cousins Jace, Kenna, Kora, Kowen, Jocelyn, Isla, and Axl.

Macklen joins in heaven his Great-Grandparents Arthur and Lorraine Peterson and Waldo and Imogene Anderson, Pierson and Ann Dykstra, and Gerald Ter Wisscha, Great-Aunts Joan Noteboom and Judy DeMeyer and Great Uncle Mike Olson.

The family would like to thank the doctors and staff at Seattle Children's Hospital for their incredible care provided. The family appreciates all the prayers extended to us during this time.

Donations can be made at WECU "Donation for Macklen Peterson" which will be used for a Scholarship for Cancer Survivors Graduating High School or donations can be made in memory of Macklen at [strongagainstcancer.org](http://strongagainstcancer.org).

We would also like to encourage you to honor Macklen by donating blood, "Giving it for Macklen".

Private Burial will be held at Greenacres Memorial Park. A Celebration of Life, open to all family and friends, will be held on February 17, 2017 at the Ferndale Event Center. 5715 Barrett Road, Ferndale, WA 98248. The Celebration service will be at 3pm with an open house until 6 pm.

# Tribute Wall

RH

“ *Very sorry to read this. We have been praying for him; now we will pray for all of you that grieve his death. May it help just a little to know how much we care.*

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**Ron & Nancy Haugness** - February 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *There are no words. Our hearts ache with yours* ❤️

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**Dave and Debbie Black** - February 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

YT

“ *Darin and Shari So sorry to hear of the passing of your little man Macklen. He was a strong little fighter, and he is know in the loving arms of God, in peace and no pain. My Heart and Love go out to you and your family. Ymanda*

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**Ymanda Tousignant** - February 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *Our Hearts are breaking for you Darin and Shari! Just can't imagine your pain! There's just no words but just want you to know that we are praying for you that you will be granted peace and strength to endure this huge loss in your lives. We love you!*

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**Alyda Dykstra** - February 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Shari and Darin. I send my deepest condolences. Macklen looked like a bubbling cheery boy in all your photos. So sad I never had the chance to meet him. Take care of yourselves.*  
*Cherie*

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**Cherie Cieslar Benham** - February 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM