



## Jonathan Gabriel Burkhart

October 27, 2005 - March 24, 2011

Jonathan Gabriel Burkhart, 5, of Clarion, died unexpectedly of naturally causes Thursday, March, 24, 2011, at the Clarion Hospital.

Born October 27, 2005, in Clarion, he was the beloved the son of Raymond Gerard Burkhart and Mary Nyoma Crawford, both of Clarion.

Jonathan was a Pre-Kindergarten student at Clarion Area Elementary School, where he was loved by his classmates and teachers.

He was of the Catholic faith.

Jonathan enjoyed taking long walks with his dad and watching TV with his brother. He was looking forward to starting T-ball in the spring. He loved school, riding his tricycle, his Transformers, cars, and trucks, his brothers and sisters, and his dog, Beauregard.

He was the loving brother of Kristopher, Elizabeth, Alexander, Meredith, and Sebastian Burkhart, all of Clarion. He was a cherished grandson of Sandra Besnak of Altoona and Raymond Burkhart and his wife, Mary, of Pittsburgh.

Also surviving are numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, 2011, and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 27, 2011, at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home, 638 Wood Street, Clarion.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 28, 2011, at the Immaculate Conception Church in Clarion, with Rev. Monty Sayers, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, presiding.

Interment will be held in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery.

Memorials and donations can be made the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home to help the family with expenses.

# Tribute Wall

DR

“ God of hope,  
we come to you in shock and grief and confusion of heart.  
Help us to find peace in the knowledge  
of your loving mercy to all your children,  
and give us light to guide us out of our darkness  
into the assurance of your love,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**Denise Richie** - April 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Words cannot express how very sorry I am for your loss... my heart  
is breaking for you. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.  
May God's love comfort and sustain you in the days ahead. Heaven  
is a much brighter place now with the smiling face of little Jonathan.

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**Amy S. Reddinger** - March 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ I will never forget that little guy buzzing around the yard always  
happy. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult  
time. I am so sorry for your loss.

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**Chad Johnston** - March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ We are deeply saddened by your loss. May God watch over your  
family now and during the days to come and give you the strength  
to help you through this most difficult time. Our thoughts and  
prayers go out to you and your family. The Hannold family

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**Scott and Jodi Hannold** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. How blessed you are to have had this beautiful child touch your lives. And now an angel to watch over you. Sending you much love.*

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**Mrs. Murdock** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Ray I'm sorry I couldn't make the trip north to be there today. Know that you and the rest of your family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers. I'm thinking of you.*

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**Christine Mancini** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *MY HEART IS WITH YOU RAY!! SUCH A PRECIOUS ANGEL!!! MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOUR FAMILY*

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**KERIE AUDENA** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *Burkharts, Our hearts are deeply saddened by your loss. May you find comfort in knowing how many people are praying and thinking of your family. Alexander...I know how much you loved your brother and he was blessed to have a big brother like you. I'm praying for you and your family during this difficult time.*

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**Paula Wetzel** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Ray, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. With deepest sympathy, Deb*

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**Deb Sauers** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Ray,  
*My words cannot express the heartfelt sadness I have for you and your family. I hope you know you are in my prayers and if there is ever anything I can do to help you and your family out I would be happy to. I am sorry for your loss and want you to know I am here if needed. Again my sympathy to you and your family my friend.*  
Barry

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**Barry Smith** - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Dearest Ray and Family,  
Words cannot express the sadness I feel for you. I remember you Raymie, at this age and you were just as beautiful. Stay strong and remember you are not alone, you have family and the Lord beside you. Love You, Jan*  
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**Jan Carey** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Just to let you know your all in our thoughts and prayers and if you need anything just let us know... we are here for you. Craig and Cheree*

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**Craig and Cheree Duncan** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ *Ray, Mary and Family, My heart goes out to each one of you. I was so sadden to hear about Jonathan. He truly will be missed in the neighborhood. Know that your little angel with be with you always.*

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**Fran Klingensmith** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ So sorry for your loss Ray. I'm sure there's nothing I can say to ease your pain right now, but if I can do anything at all to help let me know.

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**Randy Moore** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Im so sorry for you loss, I always think that when I see a Rainbow, the Angels are among us. Thoughts and Prayers are with our family.

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**Rosemary Anderson** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ I am Delaney's babysitter, she is one of Jonathan's classmates. Just wanted to extend my sympathies, and thoughts and prayers are with your family. I was so very sad to hear this news, he was such a sweet, happy little guy. He made an impact in his short life, and will be greatly missed by his pre-k family. God bless you, and take comfort in knowing He is there for you.

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**Mart Over** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ To the entire family, our thoughts and prayers go out to you. Meredith, Sterling is thinking of you and wants you to know that you are in his prayers as well. Deepest sympathy to your entire family.

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**Jessica Copenhaver** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ You have my deepest sympathy! I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers. Always remember, he is loved by many people and he will be in their hearts forever.

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**Dawn Elliott** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Jonathan was such a happy little boy,always laughing. I am sure heaven is a much better place now for him being there.We will all miss him. You are in my prayers.*

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**Deb Johnston** - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM