

Honoring Avery's Legacy

Avery was often comforted with a stuffed animal while in the hospital throughout her life. In lieu of birthday gifts, she would ask her friends to bring stuffed animals to donate to CHOA or Elbert Memorial Hospital. To continue Avery's legacy of love, please donate new stuffed animals to your local hospital or donate to your local food bank. She never wanted anyone to be hungry, often packing extra food in her lunch to share or buying food to give to friends.



Pallbearers

Blake Noggle, Barry Whitfield
Matt Amabile, Kyle Bagwell
Kenneth Brown, Justin Bellew



2 Corinthians 1:3-4:

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."



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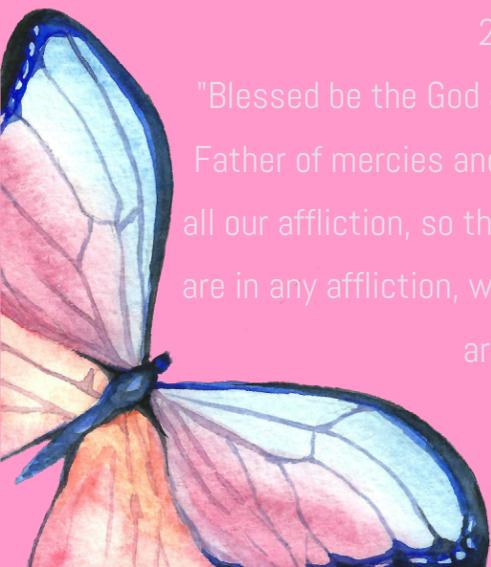


Celebrating the Life of Avery Michelle Whitfield

2 o'clock in the afternoon

Friday, June 27, 2025

First Baptist Church of Elberton





Obituary



Miss Avery Michelle Whitfield, age 19, of Elberton, ran into the arms of Jesus on Sunday, June 22, 2025, at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Arthur M. Blank Hospital.

Born in Athens on April 27, 2006, Avery was the daughter of Christopher Gary Whitfield and Laurie Michelle (Rowland) Whitfield. Along with her parents of Elberton, she is survived by her sister, MaKayla Whitfield Carey and her husband Brett of Hartwell; nephew, Whit Carey (Boogie to Aunt "Abey"); grandparents: Lynn Whitfield and the late Gary Whitfield of Homer and Leroy and Pam Rowland of Dewy Rose; great-grandmother, Irma Payne of Homer; aunts and uncles: Krystal and Blake Noggle, Lisa and Chris Moore, Tina and James Willis, and Barry Whitfield; cousins: Brice, Cadence, Millie, Jessica, Jennifer, Christopher, and Casey; and a host of other relatives and friends. Avery also loved "her" dog, Bindi Gray, who was the best therapy during some of the toughest days.

As an infant, Avery contracted a virus which ultimately resulted in liver failure. She received a liver transplant at just eight months old, her first miracle, and spent the rest of her 19 years courageously and bravely fighting. Even on her toughest days, Avery was more concerned for others than herself, never missing an opportunity to ask how your day was going or to make you feel appreciated for what you were doing for her care - especially her transplant team and nursing staff.

Her vivacious and feisty personality was sure to make you smile even on your worst days. Avery was a selfless individual who loved hard and was always doing for others she cared about even when she did not feel her best. Avery was a 2024 Honor Graduate from Elbert County High School. While at ECCHS, she enjoyed playing on the varsity golf team, cheering for varsity basketball, and twirling under the Granite Bowl Friday night lights as a majorette. Her sassy and witty personality will be forever remembered, and her beautiful smile and dimple will never be forgotten.



Order of Celebration

Processional - Mrs. Tami Finch

Remarks - Pastor Wesley Allen

Song - "Flowers" - Samantha Ebert

Remarks - Pastor Kevin Vaughn

Song - "The King Will Come" - Yet

Remarks - Pastor Tim Adams

Song - "You Are My Sunshine" - Jasmine Thompson

Recessional - Mrs. Tami Finch



Interment

Avery will be laid to rest at Forest Hills Memorial Park immediately following the service.

The family appreciates your understanding in allowing this to be a private ceremony.

