

Hiawatha, KS

London Brook Koelliker, son of James and Gipsy Boone of Hiawatha, Kansas, was born November 27, 1993 at the Hiawatha Community Hospital and passed away in the comfort of his mother's arms on September 19, 2012.

London struggled most of his short life with an unknown condition that robbed him eventually of his hearing, his vision, and ultimately his life on earth.

London attended Hiawatha schools most of his life. He graduated from Kansas School for the Deaf in Olathe, KS in May 2012 where he had attended his Junior and Senior year.

London wanted to be a marine biologist or a veterinarian. He loved his dog KOKO, movie nights with his cousins, reading a good book, listening to Christian music, and encouraging others on Facebook. He led a life that let Jesus shine for others to see.

Survived by his parents and brother Isaiah of the home, a sister Kizzi of Leavenworth, KS; step-sister Rachael Boone; step-brothers Jamil and Demetrius Boone, all of St. Joseph, MO; his birth father Dwaine Day of Denver, CO; grand-parents: Stan and Sheila Koelliker of Horton, KS, Ralph and Norma Jean Harris of St. Joseph, MO, grandmother in love Adella Bierbaun, great-grandmother Dorothy Brook of Horton, KS; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, and a host of friends.

London made the decision to donate his brain and organs to Children's Mercy Hospital medical research program.

A celebration of London's life is planned for 10 a.m. Monday, September 24, at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Hiawatha, with Tom Stone officiating, assisted by Jacob Taylor and Steve Cappleman. Interment will follow at the Highland Cemetery.

Friends may call at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home after 10 a.m. Sunday where the family will meet from 6 until 8 that evening.

A candle light vigil will be held at the Hiawatha home of London's aunt and uncle Saturday evening at 8:30 at 811 South 12 Street.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the London Koelliker Memorial Fund to be designated later by the family, which may be sent in care of the funeral home, 124 S 7th St., Hiawatha 66434.

A special message may be sent to the family at www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com