



Passing of our Beloved Second-Generation Brother, Michael Dahlberg

Ki Hoon Kim and Michael Balcomb
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved second-generation brother, Joseph Michael Dahlberg, 26, of the Chicago Family Church community, passed to the spiritual world at his home on Sunday, November 13. Michael is a remarkable young man who faced numerous disabilities throughout his life. Still, he always brought immense joy to everyone he met through his constant positive spirit and loving heart.

Michael is survived by his parents Michael and Kyoung Sim, his sister Kory, his brother Tom, and his grandma Catherine.

Let us join together to support Michael's family, and pray for his victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world, knowing that our True Father and many saints are waiting for him with open hearts and arms.

Following is Michael's biography from his family and information about his Seonghwa ceremony.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ki Hoon Kim
Continental Director

Dr. Michael Balcomb
President



The Victorious Life of Michael Dahlberg January 19, 1990 - November 13, 2016

Joseph Michael Dahlberg was born January 19, 1990 and was known to everyone as Michael. He was the youngest of three, born to Michael and Kyoung Sim (Kay) Dahlberg. From his first breath, Michael was faced with illness that grew in severity throughout his life. Born with DiGeorge Syndrome (immune and calcium deficiency) and Tetralogy of Fallot (heart defect), he underwent open-heart surgery at age one and experienced complications that contributed to and caused

Chorea Syndrome (involuntary movement).

Despite all of this, Michael was an athlete and enjoyed all sports. He particularly loved baseball and the White Sox. He also played softball and was a designated hitter, and sometimes he could steal bases. Another sport he loved was bowling, and he would bowl with friends every Thursday. In his highest game, he bowled a 178. Michael loved golf and enjoyed the times he would frequent the practice, putting green with his mom or drive the golf cart for his dad, chasing geese up and down the fairway.

Michael loved visiting places, whether it was going to Hawaii with the Kids Wish Network, visiting family in South Korea, or taking a trip with his mom and dad to Ireland. He also loved to just get in the car and “drive a little bit” with his mom.

Another of Michael's favorite pastimes was going out to eat. His favorite restaurants were Taco Bell and Chili's, and he especially loved a good cheeseburger with fries.

Michael was a social butterfly and had many friends from all walks of life. He had a way of seeing the good in all and showed unconditional love with a big hug and his contagious smile. Michael would reach out to so many online and Facebook friends by saying 'wutzup'.

Michael's attitude in every moment was positive and he lived life to the fullest, each and every day, never taking it for granted. He enjoyed his life and taught his family so much through every precious moment. Despite his difficult situation, he never once complained and was always smiling.

After such a fulfilling life, Michael's time ended peacefully at home surrounded by his loving and proud family. His dad put Michael's battle into words, "God seemed to try to reel him in several times only to have Michael jump off the hook. God finally hooked his Angel Fish on November 13, 2016".

Michael is survived by his parents Michael and Kyoung Sim, his sister Kory, his brother Tom, and his grandma Catherine.

Seonghwa Service

Michael's Seonghwa Service will be held on Saturday, November 19, at 11:00 a.m. at Russo's Hillside Chapels, 4500 Roosevelt Rd., Hillside, IL.

Rather than sending flowers and gifts, the family invites donations to be sent directly to Kid's Wish Network, 4060 Louis Ave., Holiday, FL 34691 (kidswishnetwork.org).

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