

Joe Antrobus

07/09/03 – 30/06/12

Joe was diagnosed with the rare genetic condition called Metachromatic Leukodystrophy the day after his second birthday. We were told that the condition would act rapidly and that Joe would lose the skills he had recently acquired. We couldn't believe it; how could somebody lose the ability to walk, talk and feed themselves? Joe became ill with a viral infection and that was just what happened. Soon after that he became unable to hold things, unable to swallow (he had to be fed by a nasogastric tube, eventually a peg) and then he lost his sight, which was the most heart-breaking of all.

Despite all this, Joe was a happy child who filled us with joy. He loved music, loud noises and most of all cuddles and affection. Joe loved to be around other children and this is where he passed away in spite, peacefully, surrounded by other children.

We miss Joe every minute of every day, but are so glad that we had him in our lives. On Joe's gravestone we said that 'Joe inspired and touched the lives of many', which is so true as we observe many friends change careers, volunteer and fundraise in memory of our beautiful best boy.

Jennifer, Stephen and Rachel Antrobus



Total Amount Raised so far: £1,130.00

Tree Status