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Dear Aubrey Rose Foundation,

I can't relate to your lost but I do know what it feels to lose someone special. I was born a fraternal twin on February 20, 1997. When I was little I lost my grandpa. I was so little that I don't remember him at all. His death made me realize that life is long as long as you make the best of it. So as I got older I began to do sports, clubs, and I mostly began to volunteer. Volunteering not only affects me but also my community.

Every other Monday a few students and I stay after school and tutors younger kids. I love teaching kids because I've always wanted to become a teacher. Every summer I work St. Pius X Bible School and the Immanuel Methodist Vacation Bible School. Even though volunteering takes some time away, it's worth making people's lives easier and better. Another one of my talents is baking. Whenever there is a bake sale I'll be there to help. I also love to bake for neighbors; they really seem to appreciate it.

When I read that Aubrey's biggest gift was making people smile I began to smile. It just reminded me that, that's what I love most about volunteering. For example I make cards for the elderly and every Christmas I go caroling at nursing home. The smiles I get from the elderly make my day. At least twice a year my family and I work the Hosea House. When I work there I almost have tears in my eyes because of all the young children coming in. I love to make them laugh and I've learned that even though they don't have much they still have each other and that's all that matters. We also help with the baby bottles at our church. I strongly believe that abortion is wrong and I can't believe that someone would kill a harmless baby.

A few weeks ago my family, along with Crusaders for Life from St. Henry High School, went and helped the Rose Garden Foundation for mothers. We not only donated diapers and more, we also helped organize their items.

I am a huge animal lover and when see a dog in the pound I want to adopt it. I would adopt probably every dog if I could. When I went to the ASPCA I started bawling

because of all the poor dogs I see. I even cry when I see a commercial for it. With the money I made from Lemonade stands (when I was little) I donated to the animal shelter.

Ever since my older brother was born he had pancreatitis. He has had to go to the hospital a lot and get many surgeries. My family has paid a lot of money for him to be better, and many other families have similar problems such as yours. Aubrey is a great role model for even me. Even though she went through all those surgeries she still kept a smile on her face and was so brave. I have a hard time even getting shots. I'm almost fourteen and I'm not even that brave. My family and I donate a lot of money and clothes for those families. Every year my family has participated in an organization called Family to Family. It's where you adopt a family and yearly donate boxes of different foods to them. The families are always so nice and thankful.

I don't like to boast about the things I do. That's what I think makes me different from others. As long as I know what I did for others I'm good and don't need anyone's approval. The more service projects the better. What I love most about my job in volunteering is making people smile like Aubrey did. When they are happy I'm happy.
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Sincerely,
Jenna Fugate