



Luca James Lagarce

February 7, 2020 - November 27, 2020

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of our sweet boy, Luca James Lagarce. Luca brought so much joy and happiness during his 9.5 months with us. He passed in Lenox, MA on November 27th in the arms of his parents and surrounded by his loving family.

Luca is survived by his parents, David and Brittany Lagarce; his grandparents, Jim and Linda Staszowski and Gary and Donna Lagarce; as well as his aunt, Breana Staszowski, and her boyfriend, James Connolly, and uncle, Matthew Lagarce, and his girlfriend, Meagen Harriman.

Though Luca's time on earth was short, his impact was profound. Luca taught many valuable lessons that those fortunate enough to know him will carry forever. He displayed an immeasurable amount of strength and courage, spending a great deal of time at MassGeneral Hospital for Children while we searched for an answer. Luca brought a smile to all those that spent time with him – so much so that all providers would fight for the opportunity to take care of him. With that said, we would like to thank MassGeneral Hospital for Children. Specifically, we'd like to thank his amazing caregivers which included his Pediatrician as well as the entire Neurology, Gastrointestinal, Pulmonary, Surgical and Genetics teams. We'd also like to thank MassGeneral Hospital Labor and Delivery. Each Physician, Nurse and Therapist who cared for Luca in the MassGeneral Neonatal ICU, Special Care

Nursery, Pediatric ICU and on Ellison17 was nothing short of spectacular. Every one of you went above and beyond and truly became family to us.

From the bottom of our heart we would like to thank Victoria of Baby Matters OT for going above and beyond for Luca. We would also like to thank Nicole from Early Intervention. To MassGeneral Hospital Complex Care, Palliative Care and Good Shepard Hospice - thank you for providing the most heartfelt and compassionate care to our sweet boy. We are forever grateful.

As Luca's parents, we want to give him the voice he never had. We know Luca would want to continue to search for answers – answers that would give other children a better chance at life than he had. In lieu of flowers, our family requests that donations be made to because.massgeneral.org/luca. Every dollar donated will go towards research for CACNA1E; the genetic disorder that Luca suffered from. We are extremely thankful for Dr. David Sweetser, MD, PhD, of MGH who will continue Luca's fight. We know that through this research and funding, other families will feel the same incredible beacon of light from our sweet baby boy.

All services for Luca will be private and at the convenience of his family. Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ Dear Dave and Brittany, and the Lagarce and Staszowski families,

My deepest sympathy for your loss of Luca--clearly a precious soul. My heart goes out to you all and you have been in my prayers. Hopefully you will find some comfort and peace in that Luca's presence will continue to live on by assisting others with a remedy for this condition.

With fond wishes,

Susan Foulds

Susan Foulds - December 08, 2020 at 11:11 AM



“ Dear Brittany and Dave,
I am so sorry for your loss. As one of the many whose lives he touched, I will keep a special place in my heart thoughts for him. You are in my thoughts.

*With fond regards,
Christina Scirica, MD, MPH*

Christina Scirica - December 07, 2020 at 02:27 PM

KM

“ *Brittany and Dave,*
We are so very sorry to hear of Luca's passing. We pray that you find the strength to carry on through the love and support of your family and friends. Sincerely, Katie and Murray Monroe (Great Uncle John's daughter and family)

Katie Monroe - December 06, 2020 at 02:15 PM

CM

“ Please accept my Deepest Condolences on your loss of your little Angel. My heart goes out to all of Luca Family. I'm praying for everyone of you that God helps you thru this terrible time
Fondly,
Claire Marchand



Claire Marchand - December 04, 2020 at 08:13 AM

TF

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you.

The Lahart Family - December 03, 2020 at 01:42 PM

RS

“ Dave and Family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts, and I hope that you will find strength and peace in one another through this difficult time.

Ron Schafer

Ron Schafer - December 03, 2020 at 11:22 AM

JK

“ Dear Brittany and Dave,

I am so very sorry for your loss. Thinking of you both and of all who Luca touched so deeply. He has a place in all of our hearts. Sending you wished for peace and health and all the good things.

Jess Kaplan, MD

Jess Kaplan - December 02, 2020 at 04:59 PM

JE

“ Dear Dave and Brittany, I'm so sorry for the loss of your sweet little boy. I will keep you and all your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Jean Pano

Jean - December 02, 2020 at 11:12 AM

VR

“ Dear Dave and Brittany, Luca was so fortunate to have the two of you as his parents. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Val Rubino

Valerie Rubino - December 02, 2020 at 10:37 AM

KR

“ Dear Dave and family,

So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this sad and difficult time.

Keren Rimon

Keren Rimon - December 02, 2020 at 10:32 AM

AD

“ *Dave and family,*

I am so very sorry for your loss. What a beautiful angel. Luca's legacy will live on and I have no doubt that your efforts to support research on CACNA1E will benefit many, many other children. Sending you prayers for strength and peace.

Adrienne Cohen (Ropes)

Adrienne - December 02, 2020 at 10:19 AM

JA

“ *Dear Dave & Family, I was so saddened to hear this heartbreaking news. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. What a beautiful angel, may he rest in peace. It is so obvious how many lives he touched and how loved he was. God bless you all. Jayne Costello (Ropes)*

Jayne - December 02, 2020 at 10:08 AM

SB

“ *Dave and Family,*

My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

Sarah Baun

Sarah A. Baun - December 02, 2020 at 10:07 AM

MM

“ Dear Dave and Family,

My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Marlena Mellone

Marlena Mellone - December 02, 2020 at 10:03 AM

MN

“ *Mass General Hospital Special Care Nursery purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Luca James Lagarce.*



Mass General Hospital Special Care Nursery - December 02, 2020 at 07:27 AM

AF

“ Dear Dave and Family,

In this time of deep suffering, please know that I am thinking of you and sending you prayers of support and peace.

*My deepest condolences to you and your family in this time of grief.
~Ali Fanguero~*

Ali Fanguero - December 01, 2020 at 10:44 PM

BC

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family.*

Bryan Chu - December 01, 2020 at 07:37 PM

JT

“ *Dave and family,
I'm heartbroken to hear of your loss. Sending my deepest
condolences to you and your family in this time of grief.*
Julia Turner

Julia Turner - December 01, 2020 at 07:25 PM

JS

“ *I will always remember sweet Luca, his kind eyes, and his loving
parents' unwavering dedication to his well-being and happiness.
Thinking of you, Brittany and Dave. Sending you wishes of healing
and peace.*

Jessica Sorbo, SLP

Jessica Sorbo - December 01, 2020 at 05:02 PM

LD

“ *To the family of Luca Lagarce,*

*Please accept our sincere condolences. Please know that we are
here to help in any way that we can.*

Lenox Police Department - December 01, 2020 at 03:45 PM

GR

“ *Please accept our condolences on your loss. We are holding you in
our thoughts. May his memory be a blessing.*
Bob, Gayle, Jake and Evan Raser

Gayle J Tardif Raser - December 01, 2020 at 01:01 PM

SM

“ *Our prayers and condolences go out to you and the family.*

With Love

Sean & Lani Mackie

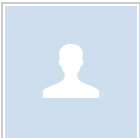


Sean Mackie - December 01, 2020 at 12:10 PM

JK

“ *My condolences to the Lagarce family*

Jim Kirby - December 01, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Luca James Lagarce.*



November 30, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Luca James Lagarce.*



November 30, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ We are so saddened to hear of Luca's passing. Our prayers are with you, David and Brittany, as well as to all your family, Luca's grandparents, aunts and uncles.

Bob & Kate McNulty Vaughan

Robert Vaughan - November 30, 2020 at 05:37 PM

NK

“ I am so sorry to hear of Luca's passing My deepest sympathies go out to the Lagrace and Staszowski families. Sending my prayers and love to you all during this most difficult time.

Nancy Kiss

Nancy Kiss - November 30, 2020 at 03:16 PM

SP

“ Dear Brittany and Dave,
I am so sorry to hear of your precious son, Luca's, passing. I will remember your commitment to him and the joy your family found even in the most difficult of times here in the hospital. You will all remain in my thoughts.

-Stephanie Paskievich, LICSW

Stephanie Paskievich - November 30, 2020 at 02:03 PM

SM

“ Dear Brittany and Dave,

I will always remember Luca's strength and your incredible resilience. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this challenging time-

Sara V. Bates, MD

Sara V. Bates, MD - November 30, 2020 at 12:08 PM

MV

“ Dear Dave and Brittany,

We are so deeply saddened by the news of your sweet Luca's passing. We are heartbroken for you and the entire Lagarce and Staszowski families. Please accept our sincerest sympathy. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

*Sincerely,
Marion, Jim, Avery, and Asa Vanasse*

Marion F Vanasse - November 30, 2020 at 10:48 AM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Luca James Lagarce.*



November 30, 2020 at 09:50 AM

 Lara
Hirner

“ *David and Brittany, I am so saddened by Luca's passing. Your family demonstrated such incredible strength and clarity of focus, which was always giving Luca the best possible life. You examined each turn and bend in his journey with loving eyes focused on your son. We all were honored to care for him on the parts of his journey that brought him to us at MGHfC. Sending you love and comfort in your time of grief, and love to Luca who I know is now beyond suffering and rests in peace. With much love and sympathy, Lara H., SLP*

Lara Hirner - November 30, 2020 at 08:39 AM

JC

“ *Sweet Luca,
You are so incredibly loved by many. You have touched numerous
lives and your legacy will continue to do so. I feel truly honored you
were and remain a part of my life. Perfect from the top of your head
to the tips of your toes from the moment I met you when you were
born. May you rest in the sweetest peace.*

*All my love,
Julia Calascibetta
NICU RN*

Julia Calascibetta - November 30, 2020 at 07:40 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Luca James Lagarce.*



November 29, 2020 at 09:14 PM

MO

“ *Gary and family,
So sorry to hear of your grandson, Luca's passing. You're in my
prayers. Wishing you peace and comfort.*

Margaret Sheehan O'Keefe

Margaret O'Keefe - November 29, 2020 at 09:04 PM

SV

*Brittany and Dave, Linda and Jim, Donna and Gary and family,
There are no words to express how sorry we feel. Please know that
you are in our thoughts and in our prayers,
Sally and Jeff Vincent*

Sally Vincent - November 30, 2020 at 05:40 PM



*Brittany and Dave, Linda and Jim, Gary and Donna, Breana, Matt and
Family,*

*Please know that I am keeping you and your sweet Luca in my
thoughts and prayers during this incredibly difficult time. I am so very
sorry for your loss.*

Lisa Fraser

Lisa Fraser - December 01, 2020 at 07:55 PM

AB

David and family,

My heart breaks for you and your family during this difficult time.

Just know that you are in my prayers.

Annette Barone

Antonetta Barone - December 02, 2020 at 10:29 AM

SF

*Brittany, Dave & Family,
You are all in my thoughts & prayers during this most difficult time. My
heart aches for all of you.
Sue Floyd*

Susan Floyd - December 02, 2020 at 10:38 AM

NH

Heartfelt condolences on the loss of your precious Luca.

Nancy Huggins - December 03, 2020 at 10:00 AM