

JULY 2022 HONOR ANGEL

Judson Ezekiel

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This is our sweet boy Judson Ezekiel Griffith, he was born at a few days shy of being 22 weeks. I lost Judson on December 31, 2020 due to incompetent cervix, he lived for only 6 mins after he was born.

Judson was our little miracle boy after many years of infertility and no success of becoming pregnant but only through IVF. The morning I was admitted into the hospital on December 18, 2020 I called my Dr and told him the symptoms I was having he told me to come in so he could check me out. I went in and he was checking me and said he was admitting me because my membranes were bulging and he was going to try and do an emergency cerclage. He admitted me to the labor and delivery ward, I was then placed on my head to try and get the weight of the baby off my cervix so they could do an emergency cerclage to stitch my cervix shut, but the next morning my water had broke at 19w5d I wasn't even viable at this time.

I had some options that I had to make some that wasn't so easy, so I decide I wanted to wait it out. Nothing came of that day or the next couple days, on December 24 Christmas Eve my body tried to go into labor again contractions started up bleeding for about 12 hours, I knew without a shadow of doubt he was coming that night but he didn't so again I had another decision to make.

Nurses come in telling me what funeral homes they would like for me to use, if they wanted to do compressions, where to place the baby if he was born. I told them I didn't want to make a decision right away on those things but I wanted to wait it out, so I did. The baby didn't show up that night not a few days later. On the night of December 30 I had passed a huge blood clot I didn't think nothing of it I thought it was part of the process but little did I know It would be the start of the birth of our beautiful and perfect son.

The morning of December 31 had came and around 9.00 am the Dr comes in to asks me how I was doing and I told him about the big clot that I had passed and he asks if he could check me, I gave consent and he asks he said Kristi is it ok if we get an ultrasound sound in here to see what his fluid level was and I said that was ok with me and as always there was no measurable fluid the Dr then ask if it was ok if he could check me while they are doing the ultrasound and I said that was fine.



While he was checking and doing the ultrasound at the same time, the Dr was tapping and he asks me and my husband if we could see him tapping and we said yes, the doctor looks at me and my husband said that is me tapping the baby's hip.

They brought in all the delivering cart all the equipment it all happened so fast. I was such a mess. The doctor asks us what we wanted to do I asked him if he could give us a little bit of time. He shook his head yes and prayed with us. As we were talking for the last few hrs at that time nurses kept coming in asking if I was cramping hurting anything kept looking to see if baby was coming out but nothing was happening. A few more hrs later at 222pm we decided to do the hardest decision of our life we decided to start pushing and at 226pm he was born that was the most precious and beautiful face I had ever seen.

I remember looking over to my left and seeing my baby boy laying there with an oxygen mask on his face and the nurses working with him but he was just too little. At 232pm he had passed in my arms, a part of me had went with him that day. I was so upset at the time cause I thought I didn't get a miracle because he didn't live but looking back I did get one.

That Friday I got admitted I should have delivered him that day but I didn't I got about 2 extra weeks with my son and I got to meet him alive for 6 short mins and those moments I will cherish for the rest of my life. We both should have died with the infection that I had from the broke water for 2 weeks. I love and miss this sweet boy so much.. today Judson is a big brother to a 3 month old boy named Judah, Judah will know about his brother as time goes on and how much we love both of our sweet boys so much. Thank you all for listening to a small portion of Judsons story we are thankful to have this sweet group in our life.