

# May 2023 HONOR LAMB

## *Parker James Belcher*

Parker James Belcher was born on February 24, 2020 at 22:59 hrs. I went into preterm labor at 20 weeks. He was still alive but my body failed him. Since I was not far enough along they wouldn't perform any life saving measures once he was born. Labor did not go as the doctors thought and it took much longer than expected. Parker died during birth.

Our little boy went to heaven. The grief we felt was nothing like I had imagined. Our next step was going home and telling our two daughters what happened. They had been so excited about having a baby at home. They both were very upset and didn't quite understand. Soon after getting home a family member brought us a weighted angel giraffe which was close to what Parker weighed. We explained to the girls that this is to remind us of him and if you're feeling sad just to hold him. Our Parker giraffe has a special place in my room where the girls can always see or hold him. We also like to have our Parker giraffe in family photos! Our baby boy is forever in our hearts.

