

GARDEN OF INNOCENCE  
IN THE PINES



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 2022**

**JACK, MARY, LANCE, SUMMER,  
JORDYN & DAXTON**



A magnificent, sunny morning greeted those gathered for the graveside service for six deceased and discarded children of God: Jack, Mary, Lance, Summer, Jordyn, and Daxton. Jeff Wrobel welcomed those attending and invited the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard to lead those holding the remains of the six children:







The wooden boxes containing the ashes of the children were passed from person to person in the chain of love. Each person held the precious remains, paused, and passed the remains to the next person in the circle:



At the end of the circle, Dave Porter, placed each tiny coffin in a place of honor on a table decorated with flowers and children's toys. Throughout the ceremony, Michael McCollester, sang and played his guitar to honor the children. Once all the wooden coffins were in place, Deacon Mike Mangan from St. Thomas More Church and Pastor Jan McCollester and Pastor Dave from the first Christian Church of Paradise offered prayers and eulogies for the six children.

As the assembly joined in prayers to God in heaven, students from Ridgeway High School released balloons to the heavens above. Garden of Innocence founder, Elissa Davies, handed the



remains of each precious child to Pastor Jan McCollester who placed them in the gravesite. Then everyone formed a line to sprinkle rose petals over each child's remains.

Elissa Davies said a few final words in memory of the children and invited everyone to offer prayers and support for the Garden of Innocence project to give all deceased and abandoned children of God a proper burial service.















*The ashes of each baby are wrapped in a blanket, sprinkled with rose petals, and buried with a toy*





**Garden of Innocence would like to  
Thank those that helped in this  
service with their time, talent and  
resources.**

**Skyway Memorial Park**

**Knights of Columbus**

**Butte County Coroner's Office**

**Jan McCollester of**

**First Christian Church of Paradise**

**Ridgeview High School "Rangers"**

**Home Depot for their Flowers**

**Dave Porter for Mary's Name**

**Kenneth Paulk for Lance's Name**

**Jan McCollester for Jack's Name**

**Ridgeview Rangers for Summer,  
Daxton & Jordyn's Name**

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*One week earlier, some of us joined Elissa Davies to help at a San Francisco service. We named the babies to be buried: Babies Salena, Ruby, Tessa, Betty, Bobby, Evelyn, Rebecca, Joseph, Charlotte, Holly, Christopher, Adele, Patricia, Joey, Yarra, Samuel, Davey, Javay, and Priscilla. We were honored to help inter the remains of each child of God in the mausoleum, the Columbarium, near USF:*

