Christopher’s gift

Words can not describe the pain I felt when my beloved grandson left us forever. I called Christopher “Ritter” since he was just a little boy, and the name just stuck. Ritter was a gentle soul who always thought about other people in his own way. He has two younger brothers who miss him terribly. Ritter loved fishing, hunting and disc golfing. His brother Casey decided that Ritter would want to donate his organs, which I was not so sure about in the beginning but decided that if that is what Casey thought we should do, then who was I to say any different? I am so glad that we did donate his organs. I have been writing to one of his recipients and in some strange way it is so comforting to know she is doing so well and that part of my Ritter is still living, and has made such a difference in her life. She was able to see her first grandson born, which she might not have been able to do, if it were not for my Ritter. So, even in death he is still helping people. So, I have become an organ donor. I hope everyone who reads this will mark yes on their driver’s license and let their families know their wishes.

Written by Christopher’s grandmother, Ginny

To register as an organ, tissue and eye donor, go to:

- In Wisconsin: YesIWillWisconsin.com
  (Wisconsin law changed in 2010, so even if you have a donor dot on your license, go to the website to ensure your wishes are legally authorized)
- All other states: DonateLifeAmerica.com

Tell your family about your decision

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