

Ryan Wanta

1977-1978



Ryan was a precious gift from God. He was a happy, healthy, normal baby. Unfortunately, his time on earth was limited to only five months.

Ryan never had a chance of experiencing all the wonderful joys of what life had to offer. He never had a chance to say his first word, walk his first step or go to school for the first time. Whatever his dreams might have become, we will never know. Ryan died as a result of being shaken to death. He was a helpless infant who could not fight back. In turn, he suffered a horrible death in the hands of a daycare provider.

When you lose a child, a part of you dies. There are no words to express a parent's pain. To later learn your baby died due to an act of a person you trusted most makes it even more difficult to understand.

Ryan's family has set up the Ryan Wanta Memorial Fund so Ryan's memory can live on forever. If efforts supported by the Fund prevent one baby from suffering as Ryan did, the family's goal will be achieved.