

Morgan Johnson Memorial Scholarship Endowment

Morgan Johnson, a petite, vivacious young woman, believed in living life to the fullest. Diagnosed with cystic fibrosis as an infant, this disease never stood in her way. She was always active and ready to participate in any activity that she could. During high school, Morgan wrote articles for the Devils Lake High School paper, *Ripples*, and was the student manager for the girls' hockey team. She was also a dancer and enjoyed performing with the Just for Kix dance team during her elementary years.

Full of determination and courage, she did not allow cystic fibrosis to stand in her way or limit her aspirations. Morgan continued her education at Lake Region State College from 2016 to 2017 and graduated with an AAS in Business Administration and Accounting. Morgan went on to attend the University of Minnesota-Crookston online and was pursuing a bachelors degree in health care management. She wanted to return the love and support she had received from so many health care professionals.

In her spare time Morgan worked with young children at a daycare, a job she was passionate about. A creative young lady,

Morgan was always doing something. She loved to cook and enjoyed putting puzzles together. She worked with crafts, painting, drawing, sewing ... anything to keep her busy.

And Morgan was a teacher. Her biggest lesson for everyone was that even when life handed you the most difficult situation you could imagine, someone else was experiencing something much worse. Morgan wanted everyone to remember this: when facing these difficult situations don't forget to *"just breathe."*

She enjoyed every minute she had, spending it with the people she loved. Friends and family meant everything to her.

Through her generous gift of organ donation, this remarkable young woman lives on in so many ways. Because of her generosity, the worst day of her family's lives was turned into the best day for so many others.

The Morgan Johnson Memorial Scholarship Endowment, established by her parents Gerald, Jr. and Kris and her brother Chase, will benefit students who are overcoming challenges in their lives.

And remember, when facing a difficult situation, *"just breathe!"* ♡

