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It became a legacy.*

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A story of a beloved daughter, a devoted learner, a lover of books, and a young woman whose memory continues through a legacy of education, opportunity, and hope.

*“Her life was a gift.
Her memory is a responsibility.
Her love is a legacy.”*

A Beautiful Beginning



Abigail Yohannes was born on September 29, 2004, in Washington, D.C. From the very beginning, Abigail brought a special light into the lives of everyone around her.

When she was only one year old, her family moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where she grew up surrounded by family, friends, and a community that watched her become an extraordinary young woman.

Abigail attended Lovin Elementary School, McConnell Middle School, and Archer High School. She was a dedicated student who took her education seriously. She worked hard, achieved excellent grades, and graduated high school with outstanding academic success.

But Abigail was much more than her accomplishments.

A Love for Books



One of the things that made Abigail truly special was her love of reading.

Books were not simply something Abigail read—they were a world she loved to explore. She could spend hours reading, learning, imagining, and discovering new ideas. Her love for books became one of the defining parts of who she was.

Abigail read more than 100 books, and every book opened another door to knowledge, imagination, and understanding.

She believed in learning. She believed in growth. And she believed that education could change a person's life.

Her dream of continuing her education led her to apply to several outstanding universities, including Cornell, Rice, Emory, and Duke University. Among them, Duke became especially meaningful to her.

A Young Woman With a Big Heart



Abigail was intelligent, but intelligence was only one part of her character.

She was loving. She cared deeply about people. She valued equality, kindness, and the dignity of others.

Those who knew Abigail remember her not only for what she accomplished, but for the way she made people feel.

She had dreams for her future. She had books she still wanted to read, things she still wanted to learn, and a life she was still beginning to build.

April 5, 2026



On April 5, 2026, Abigail's life was tragically cut short.

Her family was devastated. A daughter, sister, friend, and beloved young woman was suddenly gone.

There are no words that can truly describe what it means for a family to lose someone they love so deeply.

But although Abigail's life ended far too soon, her story did not end.

Her family chose to carry her name forward—not only through memories, photographs, and stories, but through meaningful work that reflects the things Abigail loved.

Turning Grief Into a Legacy



The Abigail Yohannes Foundation was created to honor Abigail's life and continue the values she represented.

Her love of books inspired a vision: to help bring books, reading opportunities, and educational resources to children and communities, including the dream of building a library in Ethiopia.

The Foundation seeks to turn Abigail's love of learning into opportunities for others.

A child who discovers a book may discover a new dream.

A student who receives an opportunity to learn may change the course of their life.

And a small act of kindness can become a legacy that reaches generations.

Abigail's Story Continues



Abigail was here for 21 years.

In those 21 years, she touched the hearts of her family and everyone who knew her.

Her story is not only about how she died.

It is about how she lived.

It is about a young woman who loved books, valued education, dreamed about her future, and brought love into the lives around her.

Every book donated, every child encouraged to read, every student given an opportunity, and every person helped through the Foundation can become another chapter in Abigail's story.

AN ENDING THAT BECOMES A BEGINNING

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And her story continues through us.*

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This book preserves Abigail's story and celebrates the values she carried with her: love, learning,
kindness, equality, and hope.