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Devin Dear, can it really be _____Number_____ years since the day you were _____Verb - Past Participle_____!!! It does seem like yesterday that you came home from the _____Noun_____, with me, on _____Holiday_____ _____Day of the week_____ dressed as a baby _____Animal_____ !

You were due on St. Patrick's day, so that's maybe why your best friend is named Patrick !

I did go into labor that week but it was a false alarm so we went back home to wait until I told the Dr. that March 31st would be the day to induce since I did not want a APRIL Fools Baby!!

So the day was picked and just like your brother was born at 2:22pm, you were at 2:23pm.

Dad and Alan came to visit you and even brought you a present, a toy phone to keep in touch.

See how important that is to this day???? You came home and gave Alan a camera to take your picture...maybe that is why you pose so well...ha.

I'm looking thru your baby book which I did not write enough in but had to chuckle that I did write how Alan loved having you home but by three hours he asked if I could put you back in!!

I made sure you did not go back to the hospital with your jaundice so each day we stayed in the sun while Alan was at preschool. For hours I would look at you and see such a healthy BIG baby you were. Football size as they said in the hospital. Breast feeding was not enough but that was ok since you needed to go everywhere with the family. As I wrote on the baby announcements, we were tickled Blue with happiness for you. All 9lbs 11oz 21 inches of you!!!!

So

off we went as a family of four, with Alan showing you how to explore. Actually, he did your

talking too. What a protector he was of you. By the time you went to preschool, the teachers said that you did not talk much, just followed the happening crowd never missing a fun time. To get you there, I needed to bribe you with M&M's on potty training. Wow and now the LOVE of

YOUR LIFE, is a M&M lover too .... Karma !!!!

As you grew up, you found your voice and confidence quite quickly. You were always my big helper too. And to this day you I can count on you.

Your friends asked if I knew some of your first and since the baby book is one page on that I will do my best to highlight some of your moments. I do remember you sitting in your high chair and doing and saying silly things that made us laugh so much. So entertainer is in you from the start.

You held your head straight by one month for sure and by three months in Carmel, you turned over. You slept all night at two months and 13 lbs, since formula was used. But you also found your thumb!!! And at three months you also found your giggle laugh.

At seven months your scooted everywhere and did push ups with your hands.In a week you were crawling so I had to lock the rooms off with the gate....ha

But by 8 1/2 months you flipped out of your crib to the floor crying. I went crazy to find you there.

Of

course, you recognized me first but at 11 months you said DaDa. Your knew who was boss.

You also started to drink from a cup and loved orange juice. But a bottle of apple juice went with you for afternoon naps too. Hence, you had a few cavities in those baby teeth.

You did say MaMa and Go Go with eventually a' iend' for Alan. But you loved to wave bye bye.

Maybe that is why you also feel out of the high chair at 10 months and up that steps at 10months too. Always on the go to see more with nothing stopping your determination on the way.

You walked at 13 months with your brother following you just in case.

I have a report card from Kindergarten saying, "Devin enjoys his group activities. He does need reminders on good self control." But you did get your A plus in first grade where Mrs. Barba loved you and loved having me in the class room too....of course by fifth grade the principle loved you too since you were now the President of School. All of this just preparing us for your great plan of high school, following the popular brother and making sure you left your legacy there too.

The one thing you didn't trust was my picking up the purse to go somewhere. Grandma and Grandpa K came to babysit when you were six months old and we left you and Alan to go to Hawaii. After that, every time I would leave you, you asked when I was coming back. Needless to say we are so happy you join us now in Hawaii....and entertain us there too.

You

did travel on flights with no problem. We did Florida when you had your 3rd Birthday there,

but I do remember a flight to Wisconsin when you were crawling since I was able to put a bow in your long hair for a picture of a cute Chinese little girl...hahahahaha

We also flew to Montana when you were 3 or 4 because we dressed you up as a cowboy too.

Needless to say, this is a flying family to this day and we know how to sit in our seats since we taught you at a very young age to stay put and have your toys there to entertain yourself and you still do.

We are a worldly family with everyone across the USA and World. But, that is the beauty of this family to bring together so many cultures and customs keeping the best on the top of the list.

But of course, when your folks married, that was the plan and it worked. You boys learned quickly and show the way to your cousins even today. HA. Cousin numbers they ask, well on the Chang side, it's 8 and the Krautner's it's 7. But each family count for your folks is five. with more boys then girls .... which is what the Doctor said when you were born, that having a second boy was good for Alan and I said, that having four brothers was good for me too.

And, YOU HAVE BEEN and STILL ARE, a BLESSING TO ME AND TO ALL THE FAMILY.

We couldn't be prouder of you Dear Devin and we wish you a VERY SPECIAL 30TH BIRTHDAY.

LOVE YOU TO PIECES,

MOM ..... AND DAD .... AND ALAN TOO!!!!

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