



I had a brother by Diana Menefy & Marlene Laugeson

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Dedicated to Starship Hospital.

In memory of Connor Andrew McKichan Menefy. Lived September 5 - 15 2005.

Also in memory of the illustrator's brother Lasse.

Baby Loss Awareness Week was recognised in NZ in October.

Here is a picture book for siblings which explains in a warm, open and honest way the excitement of the arrival of a new baby.

This quickly turns to immense grief as baby Connor dies as the result of a heart defect.

This is a true NZ story shown through the eyes of his brother.

The young boy recounts the memories of joy and sadness at the birth and then death of his new born brother Connor.

Some years later, now with another brother and sister he looks back to the sad experience through the open honest eyes of a child.

This book is recommended as a way to talk through a baby's death with siblings.

It is straightforward with a hint of humour as it follows an extended family through baby loss.

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