

Hello Friends and Family,

October 2022

This is your favorite dude, Joshua. I am enjoying the weather in Phoenix right now. It's 88° and cooler at night. Phoenix experienced a lot of Monsoons this summer. It's been a great summer...bike riding, swimming, hanging around at the Mall with Aunt B, Mom, and Dad and friends.

I got to spend time this summer with some of my best friends of Greg, Rosie and Noel going swimming and cooking-out. Rosie invited me to see her 6 chickens, a huge chicken coop, and lots of poop. She gave me fresh eggs to take home!

Last Christmas, my Aunt BA from Milwaukee came for a visit. It was a great time with her, Uncle Jo-Jo and Aunt B. We baked Christmas cookies that were super yummy! Besides Halloween, the Christmas season is my favorite time of year with lots of delicious food my Dad cooks for all of us.

March Madness and Baseball Spring Training Games was awesome. I got some player autographs, and 3 balls one from a young kid, one from a coach, and one from a photographer; now that was cool.

My Mom, Dad, and I took a trip to Wisconsin in July to visit Grandmama at her house on the Lake. It was cool to be back in the land of cheese and spent time with Grandmama! We visited with Uncle L and Aunt K, Aunt BA, Uncle J, and some of my cousins Danny, Joe, Katy and her four kids. We went to the supper club with Connie, Mike and Jenni. It was kind of an old school type place. Paul and Christine took us out on their boat at their Lake home!

I am currently looking for a day program to start by November, because of COVID I have been stuck at home way too much. My Mom says that I'm retired, but I'm anxious to start doing some fun stuff with friends. I'm doing an exercise program at ASU 2 times a week. It's fun being with the student coaches.

This will be the last year participating in the Down Syndrome Walk. which is a fundraiser for the Down Syndrome Network. The Walk is going to be part of the ASU Homecoming Parade on November 19th. DSNetwork provides a lot of great programs throughout the year for kids and young adults, like me, and their families. This will be my 21<sup>st</sup> year with a Down Syndrome Walk team; this year my team is "Joshua's Amigos".

My goal this year is to raise \$2,500! I hope you will sponsor me. Whatever you can donate...\$20, \$50, \$100...every dollar helps. You may donate by sending a check payable to "DSNetwork" **by Nov 14<sup>th</sup>** to my address – XXXXXX Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85XXX. Most people are donating on my Team Fundraising Page – Joshua's Amigos.) If you want to donate online by going to my team page, Joshua's Amigos at: <https://dsnetworkaz.app.neoncrm.com/XXXXXX> It's safe and easy and your donation will be credited to my team.

I am truly praying for good health and happiness for all of you - my family and friends - and the entire World. Hugs and Kisses,

**Joshua XXOXOOXXOOO**

P.S. If you are an AZ taxpayer, a gift of up to \$800 (filing jointly) or up to \$400 (filing single) to DSNetwork qualifies for the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Program. You get 100% back. No need to itemize deductions to claim the tax credit. IEN: 61-1409048

