Catie's Wish Foundation







Many of you remember that last year around this time, our school community at SFA had a Dress Down Day for 7 year old Catie O'Brien. At that time, she was undergoing treatment at St. Jude's hospital for a very rare form of brain cancer. Everyone responded tremendously with buying special bracelets and prayers for Catie. Our school community even stopped everything they were doing one day in January while Catie was in Lourdes France while she entered the healing waters at Lourdes and we prayed. We prayed for her healing and for a miracle. Thank you!

Well the healing came, but not as we all prayed, but as God wanted. He brought his precious Catie home to Him on January 25, 2009 and many miracles have occurred because of her great following, prayers and support by all of you.

Before Catie went home to Her Father in heaven, she wished that First, she could thank everybody at St. Jude's Hospital every year by celebrating her birthday, April 23, each year by showing everyone at St. Jude's how much they meant to her. She tied this together with the idea of having a birthday like Jesus and giving to St. Jude every year on her birthday the amount of money it takes to make everything happen at St. Jude's on that day-from a test, to medicine, to a Doctor's salary, to the person responsible for cleaning and taking the trash out. You see EVERYONE at St. Jude's Hospital is important to Catie and to every child and family being treated there!

Second, she wished to eliminate Pediatric cancer altogether through prayer and research. Third, she wishes to become the Saint of Pediatric cancer patients. Quite a plan for a precious 7 year old little girl knowing she was going to leave this earth!

What can you do?

1-PRAY, PRAY, PRAY... for Catie Wishes and to Catie with your own struggles!

2- Pray for all those cancer patients and for their families!

3-Participate in Catie's Wish by participating in our current Dress Down Day for Catie ~ Thursday, November 12, 2009!

Many of you have also followed her story on her website, www.catiesstory.com. Coming in January, there will be a new website, www.catieswish.org, which will celebrate Catie's life and will follow how thousands are already participating in making Catie's wishes a reality! Please become a part of this precious girl's Wishes, not for herself, but for others.

Thank you in advance for you generosity and God Bless!!! Suzanne Winter