



Annabelle's story

I wish to meet my favorites princesses

Annabelle, 8
leukemia



Annabelle is a smiling, calm and attentive 9-year-old girl. She loves nature and nautical activities, such as kayaking and water slide. If she had to choose a superpower, she would like to swim like a mermaid. When she grows up, Annabelle would like to become a teacher, and she is already preparing for it in her daily games.

Annabelle was diagnosed with acute leukemia at the age of 3. Her natural good humor gave way to sadness and fatigue. After her diagnosis, her family's regular life has been on hiatus, including that of Mathis, her little brother.

After several years of chemotherapy, she was finally in remission when she found out that she would be able to realize her dream: to visit the princesses at her favorite theme park. Throughout the treatments, princess movies and songs accompanied her, especially in the most difficult moments. Her wish represented a real glimmer of hope after a difficult daily life. ***"It gave us a positive purpose and it kept our family together. This wish was also a reward for her little brother, for whom this ordeal was very difficult"***, explains her mother, Caroline.

During her trip with her family last October, Annabelle was not only able to meet her favorite princesses, but she also enjoyed an incredible parade for the park's 50th anniversary. ***"During this stay, we felt privileged, pampered, and happy. I could say that this trip put a blanket of peace on what our family went through following the diagnosis"*** adds Caroline.

The same year, after two years of chemotherapy and five years of fighting the illness, Annabelle officially defeated her cancer.

