Georgia's Story

I wish to have camping equipment!

Georgia, 6 leukemia

At three years old, Georgia was diagnosed with leukemia. Immediately following her diagnosis, Georgia and her mom went to the IWK (a children's hospital in Nova Scotia) to begin her chemotherapy treatments. Over the next two years, Georgia would receive her treatments at both the IWK and a hospital in her home province of Prince Edward Island. Georgia's mom, Melanie, describes the moment, "It was truly heartbreaking to witness our child suffer day after day." She added, "She went through a lot. More than any child should ever have to go through. It will forever bring me to tears just thinking about those days."

Now six, Georgia is doing well and recently celebrated her last chemotherapy treatment. "Just two weeks after her last treatment, our girl had her glow back ... she remembers everything and does not feel sorry for herself. She is so amazing," shares Melanie.

Georgia has a personality that her parents describe as impossible to sum up in a few words. Georgia is vibrant and well-adorned; she loves to socialize, play with her sisters, and make people laugh. She is a big fan of all the summer season has to offer - such as being outdoors, playing in the water and camping with her family. It came with little wonder that Georgia's most heartfelt wish was to have camping equipment to create everlasting, joyful memories.

When Georgia found out that her wish would be coming true, it came as fantastic news, especially after the tough years they just recently endured. Georgia felt incredibly special receiving her wish. Her mom said she's hopeful that their first camping trip will be to a water park this summer.

"There were a lot of thumbs-ups from her [Georgia]! She's beyond excited, and we are beyond grateful for this gift to her!" said Melanie

Hope is essential for children with critical illnesses, and its life-changing power is unlocked when wishes like Georgia's are granted. It is thanks to the generosity of our donor community that we can continue to transform lives, one wish at a time.



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