

COBB COUNTY MAKE-A-WISH® 5K

Your contributions in 2003 helped make their dreams come true. We are delighted to have you share the power of a wish.
Please continue to help us grant wishes - your contribution makes a big difference in the lives of these children.
Here are the stories of children you have helped:

◀ Aaron Evans

Aaron is a four-year-old from Acworth, Georgia, who was diagnosed with Rhabdoid tumor, a life-threatening medical condition.

His wish was to visit Disney World because he wanted to meet Mickey Mouse and Goofy. Aaron's wish was fulfilled December 1, 2003, when he and his family traveled to Disney World for a week. Everyone had a wonderful time. Aaron smiled from ear to ear when he met his favorite characters.

His wish was truly a wish come true!



William Durban III ▶

William is a nine-year-old from Canton, Georgia with Acute Lymphatic Leukemia (ALL).

William told the staff of Make-A-Wish Foundation that he would really like to see a taping of his favorite show, ZOOM, go behind the scenes and meet the cast members and find out exactly how the show is prepared for television.

On July 27, 2003, William and his family flew to Boston to attend a taping of ZOOM. As part of his wish, he spent the entire day with the cast of ZOOM. William met everyone on the show, toured the set, ate lunch with the cast members, watched a taping of the show, and was allowed to play some of the "ZOOM" games with the kids on the show.



the cast of ZOOM

◀ James "Dare" Hobson

Dare was referred to the Make-A-Wish Foundation after being diagnosed with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) at age 16. Dare went back and forth between more than one wish because he wanted his wish to be something he would remember forever.

As he was preparing to go to college, Dare finally decided that he would like a laptop computer.

On September 11, 2003, the Make-A-Wish Foundation granted Dare's wish, complete with a brand new laptop computer, printer, three animation software packages, and other related accessories. In addition, the Foundation coordinated a day for Dare to visit Cartoon Network and spend some time with the animators there. He toured the station, practiced some animation and spent some time with the top animators in the state.



L to R: Cobb County Manager David Hankerson, Make-A-Wish Development Director Kari Brown, James Hobson and Caroline Glenn at the check presentation in December 2003.

Caroline Glenn ▲

Caroline was referred to the Make-A-Wish Foundation when she was 17 after she was diagnosed with Ewing Sarcoma. However, it took her two years to decide what she wanted.

Her wish was granted on July 27, 2003. Caroline and her family boarded the Royal Caribbean Nordic Empress ship and set sail on a seven-night cruise to the Bermuda Islands. Caroline visited both the east and west side of Kings Warf Island. She then traveled to Hamilton Island and got to spend two days at sea exploring the top-of-the-line cruise ship.

Her wish was successfully granted and well worth the wait!

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