

Laurren's 2 year Journey

Laurren has been fighting cancer courageously for two years!



Laurren Smith is a 13 year old blue eyed doll with lots of cute freckles (her parents call them Angel Kisses). She is in the 8th grade. She loves to dance, sing and hang out with her girlfriends. She always smiles, and loves to make others smile.

Laurren has a fighting spirit like no other. She is the precious daughter of Brian and Patty Smith of Forney, TX. Laurren has two brothers and a sister.

Laurren was diagnosed with a rare cancer called Osteosarcoma on August 22, 2007. She underwent surgery on November 19, 2007 to remove the tumor and replace it with a prosthetic knee and titanium femur. She had nine grueling months of chemo which should have been completed in April 08, but the chemo caused heart failure in January 08, so she could not complete her protocol.

Laurren's cancer returned to her right lung on June 2, 2008 and she underwent lung surgery on June 4, 2008. After surgery she began two additional chemos which lasted for an additional five months and she was given a research drug for nine more months, administered weekly. This new protocol was complete in March 2009, and scans were taken on April 6, 2009, to reveal more cancer in both lungs. She was recently taken off of a "study" called "IGFR" because her tumors were not responding to the treatment.

Laurren's parents describe her like this, "WE HAVE THE STRONGEST GIRL IN THE WORLD. She never complains, she is rarely sad, all she wants is to smile and be happy, and she loves others like no other. Praise GOD for the gift HE gave us when HE blessed us with her."

Brian and Patty are now looking into alternative treatments for Laurren. Laurren will to continue to fight this cancer. The alternative treatments that are being sought to save Laurren's life will not be covered by insurance.

Please keep them all in your prayers!
Please help the Smith family in this FIGHT!

DONATIONS can be made to the:
Laurren Smith Medical Fund
City Bank, 120 East Main Street, Forney, TX 75126
or through
Fellowship Forney, PO Box 126, Forney, TX 75126

You can learn more about Laurren's heart touching journey at
<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/laurrensmith>