



Sara | Age: 4 | Wilm's Tumor

This cheerful blue-eyed blonde, **Sara**, loves to play with her dolls. That's why, when she found out she was going to be able to go to the American Girl Place for her Small Miracle, it was like a dream come true! First, Sara, her parents, and their two sisters went on a cozy Horse and Carriage Ride through downtown Chicago. Then, Sara was able to pick out her very own American Girl Doll plus accessories! Finally, the family had afternoon tea, where they were able to relax and rejuvenate after their whirlwind of a day. As mom tells us, "Your Small Miracle was for Sara, but our entire family reaped the benefits."



Jeremy | Age: 8 | Rhabdomyosarcoma

Jeremy is an energetic kid who loves all kind of sports! His favorites (in order) include the Boston Red Sox, the Chicago White Sox, and the Chicago Wolves. He is the oldest of four, and Mom and Dad say that he is a wonderful older brother. It was in August of 2007 that Jeremy began having pain in his left leg. After months of testing Jeremy was diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma. His parents and siblings are the first to share how unbelievably brave Jeremy has been during this difficult experience. For his Small Miracle Jeremy can't wait to attend the Jonas Brothers' concert in the summer of 2009!



Coleson | Age: 4 | Leukemia- ALL

Coleson is the youngest of three and is “the quiet one.” He loves Thomas the Train, Buzz Lightyear and Lightning McQueen from the movie Cars. He is known for being easygoing and happy just to be with his family. However, don’t be fooled, he has been known to walk past their dog Reze and poke her, or to trip his brother with a sly smile! Coleson’s medical journey began after a trip to the Iowa State Fair. Coleson said, “ I don’t feel that very good.” During treatment he fell in love with a Thomas the Train playset at the hospital. For his Small Miracle, he received the exact same train set! Mom says, “[Thomas] holds a special place of comfort for us... Because of our small miracle Coleson can play with his Thomas whenever he wants.”



Benny | Age; 4 | Brain Tumor

Benny is an active four year old who enjoys spending time with his parents and two older sisters, Lily and Isabella. In 2008, Benny was diagnosed with a Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma, a brain tumor. His strength throughout this difficult ordeal has been simply remarkable. Benny also happens to be named after the great Australian cricketer, Richie Benaud! Mom and Dad say that he is a master at computer games and the Wii, but when he's not playing those, Benny loves watching Dora the Explorer, Bunnytown, and of course, the Wiggles! Which is why, for his Small Miracle, Benny and his family got to go to a Wiggles Concert! We hear that they had a wonderful time.



Casey | Age: 19 | Brain Tumor

Casey is an outgoing young woman who just likes to “live in the moment.” She enjoys singing, dancing, volleyball, and just hanging out with her friends. Casey is obviously active and fun loving, but she is also strong; she is currently in remission after battling a brain tumor. Additionally, after years of dreaming of having a career in musical theatre, she now aspires to become a pediatric oncology nurse! For Casey’s Small Miracle, she had dinner at Sushi Wabi with her mom and friends, and then went to see the famous musical, *Jersey Boys*. “The best part,” Casey said, “was just being at dinner with my mom and friends, it was perfect.” She really enjoys spending time with a small, tight-knit group of people as she did that night.