

## Sydney's wish to have a personalized golf cart!

All eleven-year-old Sydney wants is to be able to live a life like her friends: a life where she doesn't have a care in the world and can play outside with the girls her age in her neighborhood. Sydney was been able to live that life up until June of 2016, when she was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia at the age of ten. Now, her life consists of car rides to Memphis, tons of medications and worst of all, pain.

Sydney is a strong and brave girl. She doesn't let the chemotherapy or her condition dictate the kind of life she lives. Since her diagnosis, Sydney has dreamed

of having something where she can break free from the medications and the hospital bed. She wanted something where she could be a kid again and remember what it's like to hang out with her friends without a care in the world. Sydney's wish was unique—she wished to have a customized golf cart!

Earlier this year, Sparkman High School raised over \$8,000 to make Sydney's wish come true. They held a special pep rally in her honor where she learned that the golf cart she's been dreaming of would soon be hers!

Sydney was able to work with a local golf cart company in Decatur to pick out everything she wanted for her golf cart. She wanted everything from the body of the cart to the stickers on it to be personalized and in her two favorite colors, pink and mint green. She also wanted a specialized license plate with her name and an orange ribbon for leukemia.

When Sydney's golf cart was ready, wish granters, friends, family and the golf cart shop team gathered in her driveway to fulfill her wish. She ran outside and at first glance Sydney yelled, "It's so pretty! Oh my gosh, I love it!" Sydney walked up to see her initials on the pink seats, a radio on her favorite station, purple LED lights, and what she says was the best part—the cup holders. Sydney's wish had come true.

When Sydney finally got to whip her new ride out on the streets, her dad took a video and Sydney said, "I love it! This is amazing! ... I was not expecting this or anything like this. It's more than I asked for! I am very grateful."