

Watson & Dre'Unna

Nothing prepares a parent for the words "your child has cancer." Not even a page-long family history of cancer.

When Dre'Unna took her two-month old to a routine well-check, she didn't expect the doctor to find a tumor the size of an orange between Watson's kidney and liver.

Though Dre'Unna herself had been a childhood cancer patient, she wasn't prepared for the whirlwind months that would follow Watson's diagnosis.

The family quick sprung into action and Watson went in for treatment in December of 2017. They didn't know it at the time, but they wouldn't spend a night outside of the hospital for the next four months.

But Watson is one of our heroes. He fought his battle with a smile on his face and took well to the chemo. In April of 2018, with financial support from Heroes for Children, he and his family were able to leave the hospital and move into their very own place.

But even after finishing treatment, Watson was still living with a fragile immune system. Dre'Unna was scared of taking him anywhere he could risk catching something that would put him back in the hospital. That's why, at Heroes for Children, we offer events for our families where they can truly feel safe. Dre'Unna, Watson, and his three siblings have attended every patient-friendly event they could since leaving the hospital.

But this wouldn't have been possible without YOU! Thank you for being a hero for the families we serve together!



"We had just buried Watson's dad and we lost everything prior to that in Hurricane Harvey. It was just one thing after the next."



"I didn't have a job, I didn't have the money to move because I was too busy taking care of Watson. But I checked the mail one day and there was a check in there from Heroes."