

Toronto-Honoured Hero **Lucas Di Venanzo**

On October 7, 2010 Lucas participated in his first Light The Night® Walk as a SURVIVOR carrying his white illuminated balloon. One year earlier during the first few days of treatment, Lucas took part in Light The Night from the window of the Pediatric Oncology floor at SickKids Hospital and watched as the balloons flashed their lights from below, showing their support and bringing hope to Lucas and his family.

With the aggressive chemotherapy, cranial radiation, bone marrow aspirates and hair loss behind him, Lucas is currently in the maintenance stage of his treatment. His maintenance protocol consists of 3 years of monthly chemo injections in his IVcatheter, bi-weekly blood tests, daily oral chemotherapy, along with a monthly dose of steroids, weekly antibiotics and visits to SickKids every 12 weeks for intrathecal spinal injections

Through it all, Lucas has remained brave, fighting his battle against cancer. "As difficult as treatment is, we are so grateful that there are treatments for leukemia thanks to research. For that we are deeply thankful." (Lucas' parents Dino & Vaso Di Venanzo)

Please encourage your friends, family members, co-workers and anyone else you know to join us on October 5th at the 2011 Light The Night Walk and help Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back and Believe!



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