



Cape Cod, 2006

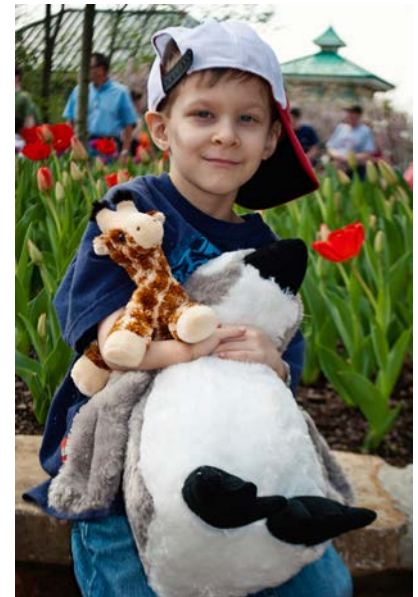
The Lana Family

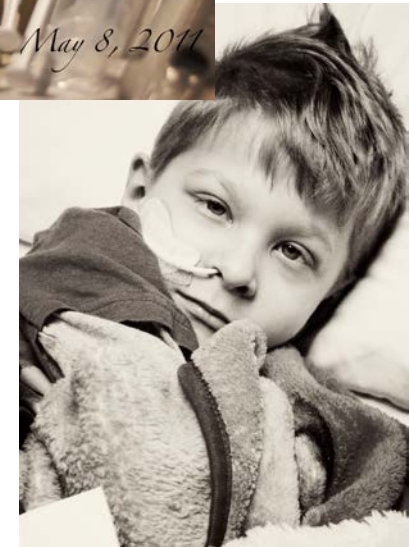
Our Experience with Bone Marrow Transplant

Pre-Transplant



- Diagnosis → Transplant= 2 months
- Organization
- Accepting help, fundraising
- What Part of this can I control?
 - My attitude and energy
 - Eli's Nutrition





Inpatient Experience

- NG Tube, meds
- Pain management
- Routines, comfort items, relaxation, Child Life
- The Steroid Meltdowns
- The Mucositis Flare-Up
- The Complications-B cells, platelets, BK virus
- Actigall and Egg Crates



After Discharge

- +32 → RMH
- Nursing care: Dry erase, plastic drawers
- Learning to eat food again
- The dreaded BLACK TONGUE
- Real Fear: Going Home, day +132 (day 100 is a myth)
- Isolation, gradual progress, germ phobic
- "Going to the Hospital" by Eli Lana
- Treat him like a normal kid?!

