



Liam

Liam is a talented four-year old. He is an excellent painter with a love for cars and Lego. His favorite movies are *Cars* and *Cars 2*. He plans on becoming a race car driver when he grows up.

In April of 2012 Liam was diagnosed with stage 4 Medulloblastoma (a malignant brain tumor). He underwent a six hour surgery to remove the tumor, followed by six months of chemo, and six weeks of radiation. The surgery has affected Liam's fine motor skills, which has made it difficult for him to do his painting.

When he was referred to Children's Wish and given his Wish Package, he received Roary, the brave mascot of Children's Wish. Roary became one of Liam's best friends. The only way he can be convinced to create any art is the idea that he is doing it for his friend Roary.

Liam's love for Roary is matched by his love of *Cars*, so naturally, when the time came to choose his Wish he knew exactly where he wanted to go, "Ever since I saw the opening of Radiator Springs at Disneyland, I have been asking to go. I love to look at Radiator Springs on the website and think about going there."

The anticipation of the Wish gave Liam and his family motivation and hope while going through treatment. Roary never left his side during checkups and treatment, a reminder of his Wish to come. The trip gave the whole family a chance to be a family as well as a much deserved celebration of their brave little boy. Karla, Liam's mom says, "We were able to finish off Liam's nine months of treatment with a trip of a lifetime. It was a great way to celebrate!"

Today, over a year later, Liam is feeling great and has responded positively to his treatments.