

## The Daniels Family

The Daniels family consists of Cassie (Mom) Erik (Dad), our son Avery, who is forever 20 years old, Brady & Chase, our twin 8 year old boys and our 6 year old warrior princess Taylor.

In the end of May 2021 my husband had a traumatic fall, 20 feet from a ladder resulting in severe facial crushing injuries. At the time he was working on our home with our oldest son Avery. Avery's quick actions of calling 911 helped save his life. Erik has 4 facial plates and has completed two major surgeries and will require at least one more.

Approximately 6 weeks later our 20 year old son Avery tragically passed away. Avery was a friend to all. He never judged and loved to help the underdog. He was and will continue to be his sibling's idol. Brady, Chase and Taylor lost their best friend in July 2021. He was able to save many lives with the gift of organ donation.

Just 5 months later in early Dec 2021, I noticed some concerning symptoms with our youngest daughter Taylor. Our world came crashing down once again when we received the devastating news that Taylor was diagnosed with Leukemia. For the past 15 months, Taylor has received chemotherapy to her spine, through her implanted chest port and is now on daily oral chemo. She has had to endure many unexpected hospital stays in the beginning due to various side effects of the harsh chemotherapy but is doing better now. She will likely have long term side effects but we are doing our best to remain positive and take it day by day. She will be done with chemotherapy on 2/17/2024 if all goes well. She will be followed for relapse for another 5 years post treatment until they deem her in survivorship. This is a total of 7.5 years. She has recently graduated from physical therapy and is looking forward to returning to gymnastics or exploring cheerleading. She is strong willed, independent and has the kindest soul ever. We believe she will do amazing things. Thank you so much for reading our story.

