

BREAKING BARRIERS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

TODAY'S DEDICATION

DAY 5: TUESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2023



In Memory of Steph

Stephanie Jane Elliott was born on the 30th of April 1991 and diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis at 8 weeks. As her older brother Jeremy had been diagnosed 11 Years prior with Cystic Fibrosis, a sweat test was carried out and returned positive for CF.

Steph had many hospital admissions ranging from 2-3 weeks at a time. Doctors, nurses, physios, and hospital staff became like family.

At 8 years of age, she had a porta Cath put in to help administer antibiotics along with a feeding tube to try to maintain weight.

Years and years of intensive physiotherapy, countless medications, and hospitalisations doing it all with a smile on her face and a joke to boot. She never complained, just fought with everything she had with her family, friends, and hospital staff behind her.

While in hospital she continued her schooling, and while their Starlight foundation played a big role in entertaining and distracting the kids from the day-to-day challenges CF brings.

Steph loved and lived for her family and was fortunate enough to have the most doting parents who sacrificed so much to be by her side while fighting this awful disease. She also had 3 brothers and 2 sisters all of whom she adored, and they adored her.

Steph completed her HSC and soon after her health deteriorated.

She was sent to see the transplant team, with the plan being to start the lung transplant process, sadly before it came to fruition, she tragically lost her battle with CF.

She sadly passed on the 28th of November 2011 surrounded by family.

Steph was the epitome of Brave and her memory lives on like the many other people who have lost the battle to this debilitating disease.

Thank you, Layne, for your support of CF. What you are trying to achieve is unbelievable and is greatly appreciated. It's people like you who bring awareness to this cause and allow people suffering from CF to have the chance at a brighter future. Goodluck Layne

