

# I wish...to go to California in an accessible RV.



Zachary, age 11  
Duchenne muscular dystrophy

Wish child, Zachary, has been battling muscular dystrophy since the age of four. It is a progressive muscle wasting disease for which there is no known cure. There is lots of promising research to find a treatment for this disease, but time is not on our side as these new drugs sometimes take years to be tested and approved.

“My wish is to travel to California in an accessible RV to see National Parks and attend baseball games. My dad and I are trying to go to all the major league ballparks,” said Zachary.

Zachary cannot do a lot of things, but enjoys lots of things most boys his age enjoy. He loves LEGOS and video games and reading. He also LOVES to travel. Since he started using a wheelchair all the time, travel is very difficult if not impossible.

“It is obviously devastating for any parent to hear that their child has any disease. But Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy is especially devastating because it has no cure. It is like a train is heading towards your child and you cannot do anything to stop it,” says Zachary’s mom, Tamara.

Currently, Zach does all his schooling online, which allows him to keep up with his studies since he often has doctor’s appointments. He uses a power wheelchair for mobility and still is able to use his arms to eat, brush his teeth, etc. He tries to do as much as he can himself, but has to rely on mom and dad for most other things.

We so appreciate you partnering with Make-A-Wish to support Zachary’s wish and kids like Zachary by granting them their one true wish.

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