

9TH ANNUAL TEDDY BEAR DRIVE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF JILL CARBONI AND ANDY MARSH



IN SUPPORT OF SAMANTHA
BURNS, MARIEN FAVAT AND
CHRISTINA DANGOND

BENEFICIARIES

- CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BOSTON
- JIMMY FUND CLINIC
- BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER
- PROJECT JUST BECAUSE
- ALBANY MEDICAL CENTER
- THE CHILDREN'S ROOM
- TOYS FOR TOTS
- LUCILLE PACKARD CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT STANFORD

..AND MORE!

Over 8200 teddy bears have illuminated the smiles of children in schools, hospitals and shelters across New England, New York, New Jersey and California since 2006. The drive originated in loving memory of my sister, Jill who lost her life in a car accident on November 27, 2005. Always striving to make a difference in the lives of others, Jill's contagious kindness, compassion and love is my inspiration for the drive.

My dear friend, Andy Marsh also exemplified true dedication to selflessly serving his communities. Andy courageously fought stage 4 melanoma for over two years with remarkable faith and perseverance. He tragically passed on August 4, 2009 and left a mission to support his causes.

Fifth-grader, Samantha Burns and third-grader, Christina Dangond further epitomize facing tremendous obstacles with grace and determination. Both have bravely endured the insurmountable challenge of battling cancer and are shining examples of resilience and positivity.

Three-year old Marien and her love for the movie, *Frozen* are the inspiration for the theme of this year's drive. Marien is the true definition of a fighter as she overcomes ongoing medical challenges. Always spreading joy, Marien will steal your heart as demonstrated in the embedded picture.

Thank you for keeping the legacies of Jill and Andy alive, while also supporting Samantha, Marien and Christina on their paths to healthy and happy childhoods. By carrying on the inspirational efforts of these incredible individuals, we can come together to help make the world brighter for children in need of the comfort of a teddy bear.

With love and gratitude,

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Drop off or mail new stuffed animals by Wednesday, December 17th

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