

LIFE IS ABOUT SHARING



LOVE IS ABOUT CARING

KATIE HAUMESSER

FOUNDATION

About Katie

As well as being a single mom raising an amazing daughter, Katie was also a patient, kind, loyal, hard working and dedicated teacher. She devoted her professional life to helping children as a Speech Language Pathologist at Glen Este High School, Amelia High School and Willowville Elementary School. Katie volunteered at St. Bernadette School and Church and worked hard to raise her daughter with a strong moral foundation and Christian values. She had many friends and was a beloved mother, daughter, sister, teacher, friend, co-worker and community member.



Katie will always be remembered for her generous spirit and her beautiful smile. She was passionate about caring for her daughter, enjoying time with family and friends and working with children with special needs.

The students at Willowville Elementary School called her Miss H. She loved working with students in the speech and language room. But most of all she loved to read aloud to eager learners gathered on the carpet by her feet. After her death, the school dedicated an area in their library to her called "**Katie's Corner.**" The children read there daily and remember the wonderful impact she had on their lives.



Why We Began

Katie's life was tragically cut short at the age of 27 in February 2006. As she was driving her ten year old daughter, Emma, home from Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Katie's car was struck head-on by a drunk driver traveling the wrong way on Interstate 275. Katie died instantly and Emma was seriously injured and hospitalized for one month. The Katie Haumesser Foundation was formed in the months following the accident as a way for her friends and family to honor her memory and to continue her life's work. Now fully recovered, Emma actively participates in all foundation activities and cherishes shared memories of her mother.

Our Mission

The mission of the Katie Haumesser Foundation is to support the causes that Katie believed in. It seeks to raise awareness of issues that affect children with special needs, provides financial support for programs serving children with special needs and provides educational scholarships for students entering the field of Speech and Language Pathology.

Supporting Our Cause

Your financial support is vital to our mission of helping children with all types of special needs. In past years, we have provided financial gifts for educational programs benefiting children with speech and language delays, autism spectrum disorders and physical and mental handicaps. Ways you can help us fulfill our mission are by:

- *Becoming a corporate sponsor or by making a financial contribution*
- *Donating goods or services to be raffled at our fund-raising events*
- *Attending our fund-raising events*



Ways To Donate

By Phone: Call 513-602-3763 to arrange a pick-up of your donated item(s).

By Mail: Use the enclosed envelope to make your donation by check. You will receive a tax receipt for your records.

Online: Make your donation using our secure Paypal account by visiting our website at www.KatiesSpecialKids.org.

Non-Profit Organization: Tax ID #26-2355786



Thank you for your support!

Sharing Our Success Stories

The Katie Haumesser Foundation has provided support to worthy organizations including:

- Willowville Elementary – Special Needs Department
- The Kelly O'Leary Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Mayerson Center for Safe and Healthy Children
- YWCA House of Peace Childrens' Program
- Faces without Places
- Equi-Kids program at Beechmont Stables

Scholarships have been awarded to students following in Katie's footsteps who are pursuing an advanced degree in Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Cincinnati. Additional information and photos of our past fund-raising events can be found on our web page at www.KatiesSpecialKids.org.



With your generosity, we are continuing Katie's good work, making a positive impact on the community she loved and served.

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