

# **TIMOTHY**



- Dear Yellow Door Friends,
- My name is Timothy and I am from Harrisonburg. I was born with Tetralogy of Fallot which is a rare condition where
- I was born with a combination of four heart defects. I have been closely
- monitored my whole life, and recently returned to UVA for heart surgery.
  - My mom and aunts stayed with me at Maggie's Place at YDF. I was able to
- swim at the pool the weekend before my surgery which was so fun. The pool at
- Stone Creek is awesome! My surgery went well and I recovered much quicker
- than anticipated so was able to head home after just a couple of weeks.



Thanks yellow Boot! The pool was awesome!

To: Yellow Door Friends



### **FRANKIE**



I just recently joined the Yellow Door family. My name is Kendrix, but my family calls me "Frankie." I live in Martinsville, VA.

I had a heart transplant and while I recover my family, including my brother "Junior," is staying at Rosie's Place. I am so thankful they have a place to stay close by while I am still being monitored in the hospital. There were some complications so doctors needed to place a trach. Once I am stable enough to leave the hospital and my parents have learned how to care for my trach, I will join my family at Yellow Door.



Thank you for giving my family a place to stay so they can be close by.

To: Yellow Door Friends





- As you may remember, I came to Yellow Door in mid April. Since then I have been
- calling "Tommy's Place" my home away from home while I get chemo treatments
- for Rhabdomyosarcoma, an aggressive type of soft tissue cancer.
- When I feel good I love exploring Stone Creek Village and riding my bike. I am
- grateful for Tommy's Place because my two older sisters can be with me and the apartment allows for friends to come for
- a day visit. Recently, our friends the Puigs came to visit. The Puigs are a
- Yellow Door Family too. They stayed in Maggie's Place (VOGA) in 2020 when
- Zeke was being treated for cancer. He is doing great and I love having them come to play.



I love having visits from family & friends!

To: Yellow Door Friends

#### **CHLOE**



just a few months.

Hi from Chloe! I wanted to give you an update on how I'm doing. After spending a year at the Dreamer Apartment and ringing the bell in March to celebrate the end of my treatment for a stage 4 Wilms tumor, we thought we were in the clear. But while we were on vacation in June, I started having a lot of tummy pain. My parents took me to UVA Health right away, and the doctors found two big, softball-sized tumors in my abdomen. It turns out the cancer has come back after

I'm undergoing chemo again. Mommy and Daddy are staying at The Dreamer Apartment again and visit me every day in the hospital. We're praying for a miracle every day. Thank you for your support.

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It's been tough, but your support means so much to us.

To: Yellow Door Friends

## **ATLAS**



I had the honor of being Yellow Door's 100th family! My family has been staying at Fox Hollow since mid March. I am inpatient at UVA Health Children's waiting patiently for my donor heart. It has been a really long wait!

Fox Hollow has been a true blessing for my family. They are close to the hospital, and there's plenty of room for my big sister, Scarlet, and my grandma to stay. My grandma has been helping

- out with my sister while my mom spends her days in the hospital with
- I will celebrate my first birthday this

me.

month. The best present of all would be a new heart. I hope it comes soon!



Thank you YDF Donors for supporting my family during this time!

To: Yellow Door Friends



**BRIDA** 



I am officially 18 months old and just shy of the one year anniversary of my heart failure diagnosis that led to my heart transplant last fall. Since coming home at Thanksgiving I have grown a

home at Thanksgiving I have grown a lot and become a bit of an adventurer!

I love ducks, dinosaurs, sharks, trucks, books, dancing, singing, playing outside, swimming, splashing, climbing, rain, and meeting new people. My mom says I am a "constant source of sweetness, silliness, cleverness, and joy." I am just happy to be experiencing

all the things a toddler does and that my heart function is perfect. I am still working on eating but meeting all other expectations so my mom is pleased. Thank you again for all your

love and support!



I am having a great time being a toddler!

To: Yellow Door Friends

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