



Our Mission

It has been two years now since that horrible night on January 29, 2006, when Anna-Elizabeth Garner inexplicably died in my arms as I laid her in her bed. She was 6 ½ years old when suddenly and with no forewarning her heart went into a ventricular arrhythmia that took her life in mere moments.

Tim and I lost half of our children that night and Samuel lost his only sibling. Our family of four became three in an instant that left us reeling with a huge hole in our family and the grief that fills it.

Anna-Elizabeth touched so many lives, adult and children alike, and we have been so fortunate to feel the support, love and prayers of the great community in which we live. During the past two years, her spirit has continued to live in us and everyone who knew her. Although this is not the same as the physical part the we still so desperately miss, it is so amazing to see people still talking about her, asking about her, and missing her with us. As we still struggle to understand her death, we have found a common ground by finding a way to honor her memory and help the children of The Donoho School.

Through the tremendous efforts of friends we were able to establish The Anna-Elizabeth Garner Memorial Foundation. This is a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation that raises money through our annual fundraiser, The Baby Girl Classic, and donates its proceeds to The Donoho School. The Baby Girl Classic weekend consists of a golf tournament, tennis tournament, a live and silent auction with dinner as well as a live band. The annual event weekend comes to an end with a Church Service on Sunday morning at Silver Chapel on Buckner Circle.

The Anna-Elizabeth Garner Memorial Foundation has pledged to raise and donate to The Donoho School \$150,000 over three years. The First Annual Baby Girl Classic was able to raise and donate \$50,000 to The Donoho School and the lower school library was named in her honor, The Anna-Elizabeth Garner Memorial Library, her very favorite place in the school, besides the playground. On schedule and as committed the AEGF again was able to donate \$50,000 in 2007 to Donoho.

We only hope to grow and give more every year in honor of our beloved Baby Girl, Anna-Elizabeth Garner.

Most Sincerely,
Christina M. Garner