



The Carballo Family

## **Battling: 8-year-old, Nathan**

Diagnosed with Osteosarcoma at 4-years-old in 2011, 8-year-old, Nathan Carballo, has endured far too much at such a young age. Being treated at Texas Children's Hospital, Nathan underwent a 9-hour surgery in Jan. 2012 to remove his right femur bone where the tumor was located. Since diagnosis, he has been in a wheelchair and has undergone 12 surgeries; four of them major to repair, remove, replace, broken hardware, plates, screws and much more. After the holidays, Nathan will have to have his leg amputated; a reality that no little boy should have to go through. On top of

the mobility restrictions, Nathan developed heart failure that is monitored regularly and hearing loss as a result of his chemotherapy treatments.

The Carballo family was introduced to us through our collaboration with Sunshine Kids who they have been involved with since diagnosis. Nathan's mom, Cecilia, has overcome so much to raise her boys in the very best way possible. She is a single mom of two amazing little boys, Nathan (8) and Josh (9). The time it takes to care for her little boys has caused her to recently lose her job. Without the help from the boys' father, life has become even more difficult.

This year we join together to help this family

have a wonderful Christmas!

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