

Sparkle's 10th Birthday Party Adair, OK



On August 17, the Comfort Kit team traveled to Kamp Courage in Adair, OK to host a birthday party for Sparkle the Caring Star in celebration of the 10-year anniversary of the Comfort Kit program. Kamp Courage, run by Chaplain Danny Cavett, is a place especially for children with life threatening illnesses. However, despite their struggles, these children were not stopped from having the time of their lives while dancing, eating cake, and taking turns posing for pictures with Sparkle.

To kick off the celebration, Chaplain Anna Gentile, who collaborated with Guideposts to create the Comfort Kit program, shared about the evolution of the Comfort Kit program before bringing Sparkle out so

that the kids could sing Happy Birthday to him. After cutting the cake, everyone wanted to hug and take a picture with Sparkle and the kids were quick to talk all about how their kits helped them. One girl, who will turn 18 this fall and plans to return as a counselor next year, shared how she received her kit almost 10 years ago. "I still have it. I just love it so much," she said enthusiastically. Another happy moment came from Jeffrey (pictured above.) He told us how he met Sparkle last summer and was excited for the chance to see him again!

The team also brought special Comfort Kit water bottles and towels inside a Comfort Kit drawstring bag that each camper will receive as a gift at the end of the week. It was incredible to see the resilience and positivity of these children in light of their tough circumstances and we could not have thrown a more successful 10th birthday party for Sparkle!

