



Earlier this year, when eleven-year-old Jack Hansen filled out his application with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, his request was as grown-up as the battle he was facing. While many kids wish for a vacation with family, Jack wanted "something that will last," specifically a treehouse.

Led by the generous donations of signatory contractor H. Carr & Sons, volunteer members of Carpenters Locals 26, 111, and 118 eagerly stepped up to make this young boy's dream come true: building a treehouse around a large oak in the family's backyard in Hampton, New Hampshire.

Jack was being treated for Acute Myeloid Leukemia at Children's Hospital in Boston when his application was accepted and he became a "Wish Kid" through the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The foundation grants wishes to children ages 2-18 who experience life-threatening medical conditions.



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The carpenter volunteers worked on Saturdays and off-hours over the course of four weeks to build what would be any child's dream space.

The treehouse was outfitted with details that may have exceeded the young boy's expectations when he first made his request: a foot locker stocked with snacks, flashlights, board games, posters, a woodframe bed, sleeping bags and ample space for a kid to be a kid.

When the project finished up in late August, Jack was in remission and ready to begin seventh grade.

Thanks to H. Carr & Sons and all of the members who were a part of this very special project.