

Our Story

37 years ago, our brother Rich was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia aka ALL. He was 18 years old, had just graduated high school, was coaching girls softball, and was ready to tackle the world. It all started when he decided to visit the clinic because of some abnormal bruising and the next thing you know he was referred to go to Children's Hospital Colorado immediately. Upon that visit it was verified Rich had Leukemia (ALL) and based on his age and the type of Leukemia he had; the doctors gave him 6 months to live. It was a complete shock to the Ihme family; a family of 5 boys, Rich being the second oldest. Rich fought hard and proved the doctors wrong in which he lived or might I say battled and suffered for 2 years before his life and our lives changed forever in 1985.

Fast forward to 2003, the Ihme family decided to host a golf tournament. We had a couple hundred dollars left over at the end of the tournament so we decided to donate the proceeds to Children's Hospital Colorado in memory of our brother Rich Ihme. It was then a spark ignited in our family and friends to make this a yearly event. Since then, the Ihme family and friends have raised over \$400,000 for Cancer and Blood Disorders. With the success we have had over the years, it was decided to start the Ihme Foundation in 2019. The Ihme Foundation is ready to take the next step and go big for Cancer and Blood Disorders. We want to help in any way we can to help fight Leukemia and these blood disorders that robbed our family. We want to help you fight Cancer so you all don't have to go through what our brother and family did.

