

Have you noticed Christmas lights in the window of a patient room at the MUSC Children's Hospital that spell out ABBY? We have, and wondered who Abby was.

Today we had the chance to meet Abigail Grace Lee, a 3-year-old girl born with mosaic Down Syndrome and hypoplastic left heart syndrome, a condition in which parts of the left side of the heart failed to develop completely. As Abigail prepared for her third open heart surgery, blood tests revealed another problem: she had acute myeloid leukemia.

Abigail recently completed her second round of chemotherapy. She lost her hair, but she kept her spunk -- and seems to be responding well to treatment. She will spend this Christmas at MUSC with her parents, Stephanie and Adam, and her little sister, 7-month-old Emmaline. Her parents made sure to hang their stockings, string some bulbs and give Santa instructions on where to find Abigail this year.

Abigail can't go outside yet, but we all can't wait for the day when she can see her name in lights.







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