

LADIES AUXILIARY
TO THE
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE
UNITED STATES

Dear Auxiliary Sisters,

I would like to bring to your attention a 7 yr. old child who is undergoing treatment for metastasized spinal cancer. His name is Aiden Pavelka. Aiden lives in Decatur, Texas and his dad is a member of Delta 2-149, Texas Army National Guard. Aiden has siblings Caleb (13), Cadence (3), and Addison (1). Aiden's mom has to drive daily back and forth to Cook's Children Hospital in Fort Worth. When she is not at the hospital, grandma is there to let Aiden know a family member is there 24 hrs. Dad is attending flight school in Alabama. He just got his rank as Warrant Officer. This family would like help with gas or food cards.

As Veterans and Family Support Chairman for District 21, I would like to ask that your auxiliary donate a \$25 gift basket or \$25 gift or food card to the Pavelka family. At VFW Post 8561 in Arlington, Texas we are hosting a Fundraiser for Aiden on October 23, 2011 from 3 to 7:30 pm. I attached a flyer with this letter. I know some auxiliaries already have Adopted A Unit or provide financial assistance to needy military families in their community. But if you can find additional funds, this family could use some additional financial support. As of two weeks ago, the family was given the paperwork asking for assistance from Department of Texas VFW Foundation. But you know how paperwork takes time.

This is a National Military Service program. If you donate, please be sure to report the donation.

"Thank You" for your time and continue to support Veterans in our Community,

Yours truly,

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