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Memorial basketball tournament raises more than \$40k for cancer center

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GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, Mich., (WPBN/WGTU) -- More than \$40,000 was donated in Munson Medical Center in the name of a northern Michigan girl who died from cancer.

The Katie Heintz Basketball Tournament raised \$40,989 for the Cowell Family Cancer Center and organizers presented the hospital a check on Friday.

Katie Heintz was a high school student at Traverse City St. Francis when she died from leukemia in 2005 at the age of 16.

Every year her parents, Pat and Leslee Heintz and people from around the community raise money with a basketball tournament.

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All the proceeds from the tournament go to Munson to help families get care for their loved one with cancer.

Team Elmer's did a \$20,000 matching donation this year.

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