

*I wish to have
a blue electric
guitar*

Deonna, 12
brain tumor



Photo: Katie Barber Photography

Deonna has one big passion: music. Songs by her favorite musicians not only inspire her to play music, they also provide a soothing soundtrack for her troubled days. Unlike most girls her age, Deonna is fighting a brain tumor. But she doesn't let that stop her from pursuing her dreams. "When I grow up, I want to be a music producer [and] write my own songs," Deonna said. Her one true wish was to have an electric guitar in her favorite color, blue. So when a blue Fender Stratocaster arrived on her doorstep from Make-A-Wish®, a light of hope and joy instantly flickered in Deonna's eyes. She hasn't put down her guitar ever since. "I know that my wish for this guitar is a steppingstone to something greater in the future," she said.



"The guitar has given her a lot to do and brought her a lot of peace."
– Maxine, Deonna's grandmother

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