



*I wish to
be a pilot*

Kael, 14
blood disorder

Kael, who has a rare blood disorder, spent much of his early life in a Chinese orphanage. At age 11, he found his forever family when his parents came to China from the United States.

Kael spends hours each month receiving blood transfusions, but when he learned he'd be granted a wish, he wished to be a pilot – just like his dad, grandpa and great-grandpa.

On his wish day, Kael arrived at the airport in full pilot regalia. When Kael entered the flight simulator, he was glowing: “This is your captain, Kael. We are at 22,000 feet, and we are smooth in flight.” Upon landing, Kael was surprised with a party, plus a flight simulator game. “Everything was so cool!” Kael said. “I felt like a real pilot.”

“Kael was drawn to flying all on his own, and his interest has grown since he’s been home. He is just amazing [and] has been such a blessing to our family.” – Mandy, Kael’s mom



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