



Show your  
love

In memory of your loved one



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Your donations will help Beams  
provide support to disabled  
children and their families





## Your gift in memory of your loved one can help Ruby to access the childhood that every child deserves

Ruby is one of three children to Jane and Jon. She is 14 years old and has a diagnosis of Angelman's Syndrome. This genetic disorder causes development delay, intellectual disability, speech problems, seizures (epilepsy), and problems with movement and balance. These are all true for Ruby. She is such a happy child. She has an excitable personality, is frequently laughing and smiling, and can flap her hands around when excited. Other typical features of Angelman's syndrome is an abnormal curve to the spine, a wide smile and widely spaced teeth, which Ruby has.

Jon and Jane realised that Ruby was not developing at the usual milestones at six months of age. As she developed as a toddler, she had trouble with crawling and talking and they sought a formal diagnosis. There is no cure for Ruby but therapies will help her reach her development potential.

The family were first introduced to Beams when Ruby was four years old. Ruby stays in the Dragon's Retreat Respite Overnight care for 12 nights per year, holiday play schemes throughout the year and are in receipt of Direct Payments to help with Ruby's care at home.

*Jane said,*

"Ruby enjoys her stays with We Are Beams, the staff are amazing and I feel contented that Ruby is safe and well looked after whenever she is there."

Your memories could help transform the lives of families caring for disabled children.

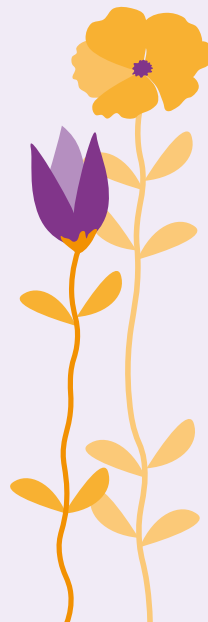


By celebrating the life of your loved one whilst fundraising, you create a lasting legacy that benefits others. We are deeply touched when people choose to support We Are Beams in this way.

**Together, we can find the most meaningful way for you to remember your loved one.**  
**Consider these options:**

- ✿ **Create a Tribute Page** - A place for family and friends to share memories and donate to a cause close to your loved ones heart.
- ✿ **Set Up Collections** - Collect donations at their funeral or memorial service.
- ✿ **Organise an Event** - Plan something to celebrate their life and raise funds.
- ✿ **Make Donations** - Contribute one-time or recurring gifts in their memory.

No matter how you choose to remember your loved one, know that you are making a positive impact on the lives of vulnerable children across Kent.



Donate in memory of a loved one



Celebrate the life of someone special by making a donation in their name and help us continue providing vital care services.

On Beams' website, you can make a one-time donation or set up a regular gift to honour a significant date such as a birthday, anniversary, or any date that holds special meaning for you or your loved one. When donating online, you can share the name of the person you are remembering and your relationship to them.

You can call our In Memory Fundraiser on **01322 668501 option 5** to make a donation or send a cheque to:

**We Are Beams**  
**Allsworth Court**  
**St Davids Road**  
**Hextable**  
**Kent BR8 7RJ**

Please reference:  
**IN MEMORY**  
followed by your loved ones name.  
Please do not send cash in the post.

# Memorial Page:

A memorial page is a simple yet meaningful way to remember a special person. It is a space for loved ones to gather, share photos, stories, and memories, while also supporting a worthy cause. Each page is unique, just like the person it celebrates. Every donation, no matter the size, helps ensure disabled children have the support they need.

## Setting up a Memorial Page:

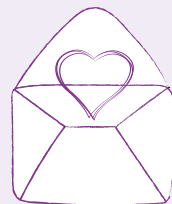
- 1. Create an Online Page:** You can do this on our website.
- 2. Personalise Your Page:** Add photos, videos, and favourite memories.
- 3. Share details of plans:** Share any details of services.
- 4. Share Memories:** Connect with loved ones and share stories.

If you need help setting up the page for your loved one, our team can guide you through the process or even do it for you.

# In Memory Collections

Organising a collection for Beams at your loved one's funeral or memorial service is a generous and thoughtful way to ensure their memory lives on long after the flowers have faded.

You can either organise a collection through your funeral director. Just let them know you wish to ask for donations to Beams in memory of your loved one, and they'll be able to organise the collection and send the donations to us otherwise we can send you in-memory collection envelopes. To request them, simply get in touch with us.



# Social Media fundraising pages

In today's digital age, social media can be a place for friends and family to remember a loved one. When someone passes, their Facebook wall can become a memorial where people can post photos and share stories. Fundraising pages can also be set up to raise money in their memory.

Similar to a Memorial Page, an online fundraising page is a space for friends and family to share personal tributes, photographs, and stories while raising money for a cause that was close to their loved one's heart.



Purchase a forever flower, a timeless memorial for your loved one.

Remember your loved one with a stunning flower that will never fade. You can purchase a customised flower engraved with your loved ones name, year of birth and year of passing.

This flower will ensure that your loved one's memory is preserved in a meaningful and lasting way, while also contributing to a cause they supported during their lifetime.



## Events in memory of a loved one

Celebrate your loved one by participating in or organising an event they would have enjoyed.

Join a Beams Event: Choose from various activities and fundraise for a cause they cared about.

Organise Your Own Event: Gather friends and family to celebrate your loved ones life with an event dedicated to them.

### Events could include:

- ✿ **Participating in a Challenge:** Run, cycle, or swim in their memory.
- ✿ **Showcase Your Talents:** Knit, bake, or perform to raise funds.
- ✿ **Host an Event:** This could be anything from a Golf Day or Gala Ball.

Whichever way you choose to celebrate your loved one, design an event that reflects your loved one's unique personality. Beams is available to support you throughout the process.

## The impact of your support to Beams

# £350

enables us to offer one child 1-1 and personal care for a day including a trip out.



# £450

enables us to take 10 children on a steam train ride in Kent.



# £1500

enables us to support a family or child in crisis.



# £2000

enables 12 sets of parents to attend the 6 week Cygnets Parenting Programme. To give parents coping strategies and ways to communicate better with their child.



## Make your donations go further - remember to Gift Aid it!

For every £1 you give, the charity gets an extra 25p from the government. Just make a Gift Aid declaration when you donate to let the charity know you're a UK taxpayer.

### Increase your impact even further:

#### Employer Matching

Many companies have schemes where they match their employees' charitable donations. This means your employer could double or even triple the amount you raise!

✿ **Check with your employer:** Ask your HR department or manager if your company offers a matching gift scheme and if they offer it on in memory collections.

✿ **Maximise your giving:** If they do, make sure you follow their process for claiming the match. This often involves filling out a simple form.

By using Gift Aid and employer matching, you can significantly increase the impact of your donations and support the causes you care about even more.





# Support a service that is important to you

Let us know if there is a specific area of our work that you are interested in, and together, we will find the best way for you to support the children and young people who need help the most.

## **Our Mum's Donation**

After our Mum passed away, our family decided to donate to Beams, a choice that was inspired both by my personal connection and by Mum's deep admiration for Beams' work supporting disabled children.

We raised £2,600 and requested that the funds were allocated towards some music equipment, as Mum had a love for children, music, and always enjoyed seeing others happy.

Beams managed to purchase 100 sets of headphones and a transmitter for Silent Discos. Our family had the pleasure of being invited into Beams to experience the equipment first hand and it was a joy to see the children having fun at their first Silent Disco.

We miss our lovely Mum dearly, but gestures like these help keep Mum's legacy alive and remind us all of the joy and love she brought into our lives.

## ***The Shed Family***





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