

Kolvin & Alijah

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Almost eight years ago, Alijah and his brother, Kolvin were diagnosed with Sickle Cell Anemia. A year after their diagnosis, the family relocated to Macon from their hometown of Americus. “At one-point Alijah was in the children’s hospital every month. We were home for two weeks, then back to Macon for two weeks,” shares Jasmine, Alijah and Kolvin’s mom. The pediatric specialists at Beverly Knight Olson Children’s Hospital have been treating the boys for most of their young lives. Being at the children’s hospital is not always bad. “Staying there is actually fun for Alijah because he knows the Child Life Specialists are going to visit and play video games with him,” says Jasmine.

Today, their inpatient stays at the children’s hospital are less frequent and the boys consider Macon their home.

