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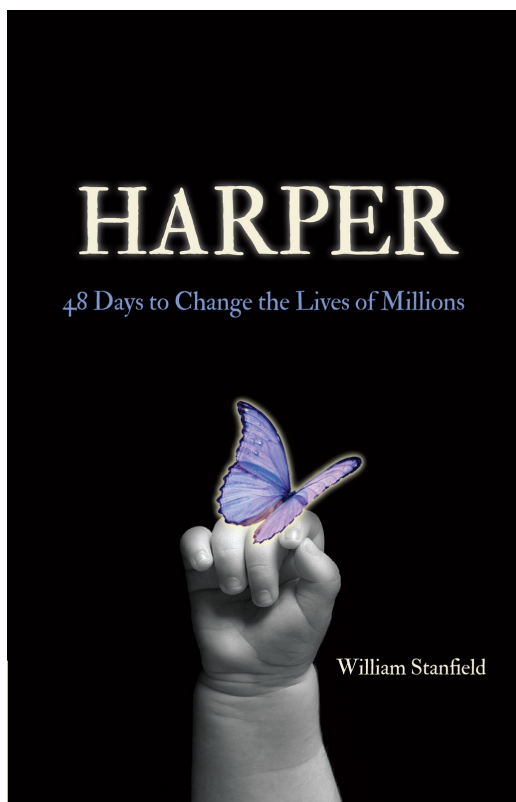


HARPER

William Stanfield

"... and though she be but little, she is fierce."

~William Shakespeare



Harper Ann Stanfield came into the world on August 20, 2012, a beautiful newborn with blue eyes, a strong will, and a life-threatening condition known as a Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH)—a hole in her diaphragm that permitted her abdominal organs to migrate into her chest cavity, obstructing her left lung. For weeks after—and through multiple surgeries—machines would be her constant companions, breathing for her, circulating her blood, and removing toxins from her body. Her parents, William Stanfield and Erin Byers, watched on and waited, helpless to change their daughter's circumstances and often unable to even hold her.

To keep their community of family and friends informed and to help raise awareness about CDH, they started a Facebook page and posted daily updates on Harper's struggle. These posts are compiled here, in *Harper*, a tribute to a tiny fighter and to all the children like her, both among us and in our hearts and memories.

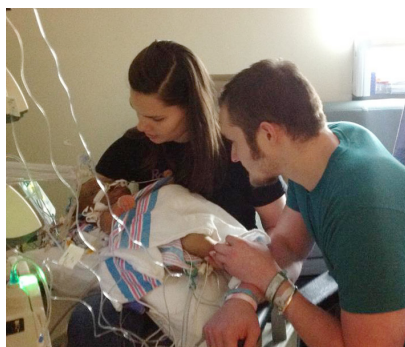
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About the Author

Upon graduating from the University of Virginia, William Stanfield returned to work in the restaurant industry. A few years prior to the writing of this book, he met Erin Byers, Harper's mother and the love of his life. They remain together today, very much in love, and will always love and remember their firstborn daughter, Harper Ann Stanfield. This is William's first book.



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