Bailey's Story

Bailey Lesofski is ten years old and in the 5th grade. She lives and goes to school in White Sulphur Springs, Montana. Bailey was born with Neurofibromatosis

type 1, a genetic condition that affects about 1 in 2500 babies born worldwide. This disease can cause a lot of different medical problems, but for Bailey it caused the bone in her leg to not fully form.

Bailey was in a cast from the age of 1 month old until she got her first prosthetic at 2 years old when the Shriner's Children's Hospital specialists helped her with surgery and fit her for her first prosthetic. According to Bailey "Having a prosthetic is really hard! I've had it since I was 2 years old. The care I get from Dr. Clint and his associates at Shriner's Children's Hospital in Spokane is the best. My favorite thing about going to Shriner's Children's is how much they care about me. My doctors



have always been so kind and helpful the whole time. They always answer all my questions and I know I can always count on them."

Bailey enjoys sharing more about her life:

"I have three sisters and a brother. I live with my dad, my step-mom and my baby brother. My brother's name is Bridger, he is the cutest thing in the world. He is very goofy like me.

My Dad's name is Jarod and my step-moms name is Shantell, they are funny and goofy like my brother and I. My grandparents are the best people on the planet and live here too. They have 3 horses and 3 cats. We had a cow-dog named Charlie but he passed away. He was a funny and lovable dog. We also had a cat named Jett; he was black with yellow eyes.

I am a cowgirl at heart, I love riding horses. I also really like creating masterpieces with my art. I am the pickiest eater ever. I don't like vegetables or most fruit! Some things I do like are elk, apples, grapes, bananas, milk, eggs, and watermelon. My favorite colors are Purple and Black.

Sometimes school is hard but it gets easier. I like math and I'm really good at it. My teacher, Mrs. Freeze, is the best teacher, she helps me a lot. I have a lot of friends at school. I'm in basketball and volleyball. Volleyball was more fun because you don't have to move as much as you do in basketball. When I'm not playing Volleyball or Basketball I like to hang out with my family.

This was so much fun telling you about my life. I am so grateful I got to do this," Bailey Lesofski.