The Ultimate Hike Story

When CureSearch for Children's Cancer started the Ultimate Hike program seven years ago, I never would have thought that it would change my life (and so many other lives) like it has. I'll never forget watching the first line of hikers' headlamps disappear into the darkness as the Ultimate Hike began. Fast forward seven years later, and I've seen Ultimate Hike weddings, Hikers' children take their first steps on the trail, and people lose hundreds of pounds through training. I've also seen the incredible healing power of Ultimate Hike, as parents who've lost children to cancer find their voice and let others bear just a tiny bit of their grief. I've also seen breakthroughs in children's cancer research as a result of the lifesaving funds raised.

It's such an amazing experience that many Hikers declare they will be hiking until they're physically unable to, or until CureSearch finds a cure for every child diagnosed with cancer. If that doesn't sound like a big enough reason to take a hike, I don't know what is.

Ultimate Hike is all about doing something that makes a big difference in a short amount of time. This life changing, lifesaving adventure gives hikers the opportunity to trek 20-30 miles in one day for a common goal: to tell children's cancer to take a hike. Today, Traditional Ultimate Hikes take place in South Carolina, West Virginia, Northern Minnesota, Indiana, and Texas, with Hikers training on their own or in one of 28 official training cities across the US. There are even partner-driven events and a Create Your Adventure Program.

Start your hiking adventure at ultimatehike.org.