

# Morgan

Morgan was born on July 26th 1993, 2 weeks early, her mother's water leaked for 3 days. Her breathing tube was placed 6 mins after birth. Doctors were puzzled not knowing what CDH was back then. She had a helicopter ride to another hospital an hour away to a surgeon that knew about CDH, and had an ECMO machine.

Her first repair was at 7 days old and off ECMO. Just 6 months later, after having pneumonia, she had her second repair. She then had RSV following that repair. She had a few signs of Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) as a toddler. At age 5 she had her 3rd CDH repair. At age 8, after being sick with a high fever, seizures and gaining water weight too quickly, PH was found again. (March 2002) In March of 2006 her scoliosis was fixed after months of a back brace, with 2 rods and 14 screws.

February 2007-July 2008, was the beginning to end of her final and 4th CDH repair. Her intestines got lodged and stuck in the hole, Pulmonary Hypertension went horrible and she was only 13 years old. She was already taking one PH medication but had to add another and Nitric Oxide along with TPN, water diuretic, and iron, as her intestines, liver and PH got back on track.

She was almost 15 years old when her central line and stomach operation were finalized and taken off of body. She had off and on seizures as she continued to grow up. Her final seizure was 2015. Now at 25 1/2 years old she finally knows her PH pressure at 51. (Normal is below 20) Her left lung was the size of coin or finger nail and it is now 75%. Her lower left lobe may never grow. Her right lung was 50% of the size it should be and now it is 100% normal size. Her liver is now healthy and her acid reflux was triggered again last year after gaining muscle weight.

Even with all her challenges she never let anything take her down. She graduated high school in 2012 and is vocal in the CDH and PH awareness communities.

She is a member of Charlie's Crusade of  
Warrior of the Angels

