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Who Is Darius "Big Daddy" Weems?

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At 15, Darius "Big Daddy" Weems left his home in Georgia for the first time in pursuit of his dream of getting his wheelchair "pimped." In the process, he became an award-winning documentarian. [Darius Goes West](#) has brought the issue of disability rights to the national stage and has raised over \$2 million for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy research.

Darius was born with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD). Seven years ago, he lost his beloved older brother, Mario, to the same disease. [Many people don't know about DMD, yet it is the number one genetic killer of children in the world.](#)



How can you get involved?

The good news is that scientists have discovered the cause of DMD and have never been closer to finding a cure. You can help spread Darius' story and play a part in finding a cure.

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