

Bright Light Foundation

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On May 21, 2012 my life changed. While attending a meeting for my job, I started feeling ill and next thing I knew I was being brought to an area hospital. I had had a stroke. I had worked 39 years in the oil field when this occurred. It was not the way I wanted to retire.

I am not able to drive due to vision problems, I have issues with balance and I have no sense of feeling, temperature or pain on my right side. My left side is numb with slight feeling. I am disabled.

I cannot do the things I loved to do: motorcycle riding, fishing or working with hand tools. But I am still grateful to be alive and to enjoy my family and friends.