

Guest Spotlight



Aaron

Age: 66

Transplant: Double Lung

Hospital: Memorial Hermann

Hometown: Victoria, TX

Transplant Journey:

In February 2022 I was sick from COVID and stayed in the hospital for two weeks. After being discharged, a week later I was back in the hospital with pneumonia. I then stayed in the hospital for three whole months. At this point, I was already on oxygen full-time. The medical team couldn't determine what it was but eventually said I was diagnosed with fibrosis due to COVID-19 illness. I was referred to the lung specialist to see what my options were, but they referred me to come to Houston for treatment. I was at home and my oxygen levels dropped low and I was rushed to the hospital where I stayed another three months. I was brought by ambulance to Memorial Hermann in Houston. The doctors projected 9-12 months of recovery before I would be a candidate for transplant. They did all the examinations, and I was healthy other than my damaged lungs.

After suffering for over a year, on August 11, I had an appointment with my doctor, and he said you're staying at the hospital because my condition was getting worse. Our coordinator came to the room and said I was listed for a transplant and said they already had a lung waiting for me, but I needed to be transferred to the ICU. My wife received the call and we both started crying and thanking Jesus. On August 26, 2023, I received my double lung transplant. Two weeks later on September 8, I was discharged to move into my home away from home, Nora's Home.

What would you want to say to your donor?

I would want them to know that I am SO grateful for this new life and that I was granted another chance.

What do you enjoy most about Nora's Home?

Everything! Especially all the staff members who treat us like family and really make this feel like home. I love being able to be in the kitchen cooking with my wife.

What would you say to the donors who donate financially to the home?

I am so grateful. Thank you for everything you are doing, and I pray to God you can keep helping the people at Nora's Home. This is such a wonderful place, and your donations make a huge difference.

