

## Guest Spotlight

Age: 54
Transplant: Heart
Hospital: Houston Methodist
Hometown: San Antonio

**Transplant Journey:** My journey started back in October 2022 with bad stomach pain. I went to the emergency room and was diagnosed with congenital heart failure and I was in denial. The month before I was walking around in Vegas for my birthday, having the time of my life. On January 5, 2023 I was hospitalized in San Antonio and the doctor's determined I would need a heart transplant. The medical team was unable to do the surgery, so they referred me to Houston. I came to Houston on January 21 and remained here until I had my heart transplant on June 23, 2023.

What is the first thing you want to do after receiving your transplant? The first thing I want to do is see my grandkids and hang out with my family.

What would you say to someone who is considering becoming an organ donor? I would strongly suggest to become a donor! I am a donor and encourage everyone to do so they can help save a life.

What would you say to the donors who donate financially to the home? Please keep donating! Your money is going to a wonderful cause!







