

CASEY MURPHY

"We should not give up and we should not allow the problem to defeat us." A. P. J. Abdul Kalam

Profile: Mild Alzheimer

Gender: Male

Age: 82

Occupation: Retired

Location: Taos, New Mexico

Bio

Casey Murphy is an 82-year old male residing in Taos, New Mexico. He enjoys the arts and was active in the industry for 30 years. Casey studied at the University of North Texas earning his BFA in Visual Communication Design. From there, he worked as a



Graphic Artists at Richard's Group where he eventually got promoted to Senior Graphic Designer. He left the Richard's Group for an Art Director position at Brierley & Partners, where he remained until his retirement. Upon retirement, Casey moved to Taos to work on his art and exhibit in local shows.

Recently, Casey was diagnosed with Alzheimer disease. He is at the early stage of the disease. Casey is still able to function independently – still able to drive and be part of social activities. He does find it difficult to remember familiar words and the location of everyday objects as well as trouble remembering names when introduced to new people.

Casey enjoys spending his leisure time walking the family dog, yoga, riding his bike, watching Comedy and suspense movies, and going to the park.

Casey would find helpful a tool to help him remember people's names and help him better communicate what he wants to do and how he feels.

Goals:

- To remain strong for my family
- Continue to strive to be independent as long as I am able
- Enjoy each moment with my family and friends
- Remain active as long as I am able

Frustrations:

- Forgetting people's names
- Struggling to find the right words to say
- Coming to terms with my diagnosis
- Remembering where I place things