



Trenna's Story about Spina Bifida Home page



Don't Let Anyone Tell You You Can't Do Anything Because You Can

Hi my name is Trenna Marie I was born September 6, 1980 in Huntsville, Alabama. I enjoy talking on the telephone to my friends. I love sending and getting E-mails from all my friends. I love football and football jerseys, I have over 30 NFL teams. I love Challenger baseball (this is adapted for kids who have special needs so they can participate in sports). I love Country Music and their videos. I love watching movies. I love going to Church. I love people and I never meet a stranger.

Please remember to sign my Guest Book.

I also like spending time with my boyfriend, Michael he has Cerebral Palsy. We have been going out together for five years.

I have had over 30 surgeries with plenty more to come in my future. i am wheelchair bound but I go everywhere I want. I catch the Handi-Ride bus by myself and go to the Library and volunteer there at the TASC program. This is a special program where we help other physically and mentally challenged people work on the computers. If they need special

adaptive equipment there is a team of engineers that work with us and helps create this equipment.

When I was first born my parents, Reid and Barbara were told I would not live 24 hours. I was born with an open spine. My parents had no idea what this was, I also had hydrocephalus, I had two club feet, a neurogenic bladder and no bowel control. I had two broken femurs.

The only test they did at the hospital was shine a light through my head and determined that there was very little brain.

I was sent home with no surgeries but to die. Don't let anyone tell you that the Doctors know it all. Because when GOD intervenes miracles happen. That's what happened to me.

My parents were told that I would be a burden on society, that I would never be able to do anything for myself. Boy, did GOD prove them wrong. I am very happy, I can read and write and create websites on the computer.

My parents always treated me normal. I was taken everywhere with them and never treated like I was not perfect in any way. Oh Sure, it was harder for them. Sometimes because of the way buildings are made I had a terrible time getting in and out of them, but my parents never let me down..

I have had several surgeries in Atlanta, Georgia at the Henrietta Eggleston hospital and the Scottish Rite Hospital because they did not know what to do here in Huntsville, They have expert Doctors there. They have the newest techniques.

When I was born an article had just been printed in People Magazine, "Spina Bifida Children Are They Best Left To Die"? People Magazine had interviewed one of the finest neurosurgeons (Dr. David McLone) in the United States, at the Children's Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. He was a good Christian doctor who stated the facts. The facts were these children do not die. They live on and had the worse crippling disabilities. He suggested to my parents, we go see Dr. Mark O'Brien in Atlanta, Georgia. He saved my life.

This January 2001-I had my left little toe amputated. I had got it hung up under a piece of furniture and pulled. It broke my toe and cut the back of it. By the time I realized I was really hurt it was too late. Dr. Buckley said the little toe had to go. I went through the surgery, singing country songs to the doctor and staff. I will be one case they will never forget, because everytime they hear "She thinks My Tractor's Sexy" they will immediately think of me.

So when life gets you down think of everything you have to be grateful for and before you know it you'll be grateful too. Everyone seems to focus on what they don't have. But yet they fail to see what they do have. Each day be happy and give Thanks for everything. For that is the way GOD meant it to be.

Trenna died on July 13, 2001 at the Huntsville Hospital from complications.

This webpage was created and designed by our brave daughter. She had so much love to give. She wanted everyone to know about Miracles and about GOD. Now she is walking those streets of gold as you are reading this webpage. Rejoicing in being in heaven and being at the right hand of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Trenna's mother's email address is precious80@knology.net



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