



A Rehabilitation Therapy Success Story from



Joe's Motivation Leads to Success

Joe is an 88-year-old man previously admitted to our rehabilitation center with a medical condition who then developed Guillain-Barre syndrome, a rare disorder in which your body's immune system attacks your nerves. Both of Joe's legs were paralyzed within a short time, and his arms were affected, causing him to be unable to feed himself or participate in daily self-care tasks. The weakness affected his ability to chew, resulting in a diet of strictly pureed food. As a result, he became dependent on caregivers for all of his needs.

Joe has worked hard in physical, occupational, and speech therapies over several months and made excellent progress. Through swallow exercises and strategies, he can now eat/chew regular foods and can stand and walk 100 feet with a rolling walker and one person assisting him minimally. He can feed himself, put on his shirt, and only needs a small amount of help bathing. Joe remains motivated to continue progress with the therapy and toward achieving goals.

**Joe has made
remarkable progress
within the care of
Masonic Village at
Burlington.**

Our Rehab Therapy Partner

