

Hello Dr Burt, It is Steve , you saved me in the fall of 2018 and I'm still kicking. I went to my friend's wake a few months ago. One of the people there was a friend that I had not seen in about 30 years, he is now retired but was a Primary Care Physician . When he saw me, the first thing he said was, " you're still around". Everyone had really expected me to die. My two buddies that I watch football with dropped by and talked how I would be up and about in no time, then they went back to one of their basements and wrote a eulogy. My brother had dropped by with his wife with the same message, but as they left, they sat in the car in my driveway, decided that my brother needs a new suit for my wake, and drove directly to store just in case the wake was only a week away. I guess it's safe to assume that I wasn't looking too good.

I was diagnosed with Systemic Scleroderma around my 50th birthday, I had my 60th birthday back in May. You can officially consider your work outstanding.

I still mow the lawn, shovel snow and carry everything to the second floor.

Thanks again for keeping me alive and if there is any thing I can do to help your research, just let me know.

Thank you