

September 8, 2020

Thank you to everyone that has reached out to Bobby Brindle's family in the last few weeks. We appreciate it more than you know, and we do pass on your messages, cards, and letters to Bobby.

On July 31, Bobby was moved from Redmond Rehab Facility in Rome, Ga to Parkside Assisted Living in Ellijay, GA. The move was necessary because his insurance had run out at Redmond, so we were able to get him accepted at Parkside and his insurance resumed coverage there.

Bobby was in isolation for the first 2 weeks he was at Parkside for COVID precautions, so the family wasn't allowed to see him until those 2 weeks were up. We have been able to visit him several times now, but visitation is limited and we can only see him through a window. It is tough to go and see him this way but we understand it is due to COVID.

He is continuing to receive rehab at Parkside and they are still working on his speech, swallowing and mobility. His speech has improved a little but it is still very difficult to understand him. His swallowing does continue to be an issue, so for now the feeding tube is still in place. He still doesn't have any mobility in his right side and they do continue to work on that as well.

When he was initially moved to Parkside, Shane (Bobby's youngest son) was told that he had been approved through his insurance to stay there 100 days. Last Friday Shane received a call that his insurance was running out within a week. In order to continue to stay at Parkside or any assisted living facility for long term, they would seize all of Bobby's assets.

Shane has been thinking for a few weeks now about trying to bring Bobby home and care for him there. Again, it is hard seeing him in a place like that knowing that he is fully competent and aware of everything going on and with the doctors and neurologist saying that some mobility can return 3 -6 months after a stroke, Shane can't turn his assets over to them.

After Shane spoke with Bobby's case manager at Parkside Friday, he has made the decision to bring Bobby home within the next couple of weeks. Shane will be his full-time caregiver, as he will require 24/7 care at home. This will require Shane to quit his job, but after much thought this is what he wants to do in order bring Bobby home. Shane has a meeting with the nurses and therapists at Parkside next week to discuss what his care at home will require and what equipment will be needed at home.

Shane and I continue to care for Cathy. She is at home and the doctor has advised us to check in on her at least every 4 hours throughout the day. Shane took her to a neurologist a few weeks ago for some testing to see what stage of dementia she is in, but she refused the testing.

Bobby's doctor has advised us that once he is home, Cathy could be a danger to him because of her dementia and cannot be left alone with him. She will have to be closely monitored when Bobby is home.

Please continue to pray for Bobby's speech, swallowing and mobility to improve. I also ask that you pray for guidance as we bring Bobby home and all that that will involve.

Thank you,

Kim Brindle

- Also, if you would like to be added to email updates, please send me your email address to:

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