

To the Sight & Sound Foundation

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Our Daughter Kristen Hoglund search the internet & found you generous & special people. Thanks to her on getting the paper work for her Dad. You people worked fast to send the hearing aids so quickly to him. With hearing loss in both ears, caused by working 35 yrs in a saw mill, everything became so quiet & lonely for Joseph. He'd sleep most days sleeping out of sheer boredom. I Rita, Joseph's wife, had to repeat 3-4 times raising my voice louder each time until I'd get his attention. He'd get frustrated and I in turn would get frustrated which would lead up in an arguement. Joseph could only grasp a word here & there then would respond to something completely unrelated to what was said. He then would get uptight insisting what he heard is what we really would have said. Now after only 10 days of receiving his 2 hearing aids, we are so much a more calmer and more understanding family again. Our toddlers grand kids say, we don't have to yell at Pepere anymore. The grand kids are so much more playful with their Grandfather. We didn't realized Joseph's hearing loss had affected all of us 3-4 generations members. It feels good to be on the same page with him again after all these years. T. V. no longer loud. You people truly have given our lives back.

Joseph's audiologist, Jalene is so awesome. She was just as excited as Joseph and family when she put the hearings aids in. Joseph is Jalene first patient using your F.S.S. Jalene has added your F.S.S. to her list to offer others the same opportunity you have given Joseph and family. THANK-YOU, THANK-YOU THANK-YOU. Your generosity has completely changed our lives for the better. for all involved. Joseph doesn't sleep as much during the day. Also his energy level is improving some. His hearing loss was a big part of his being sleepy cause he was so bored and frustrated to not hear what was said or what was going on. He'd had close calls while driving not hearing cars coming or honking for him to move out of their way. Yes, I Rita and family, can attest hearing loss can affect every aspect of a whole family lives. We'll certainly pass the good word around to all we know of those in need. We highly recommend your F.S.S. Yes we do believe in Miracles when we put our trust in him who gives us hope.

Your taking the time out of your busy schedule first by calling our daughter personally letting her know her Dad, Joseph, that he had been approved. Also giving Joseph & I, his wife Rita, again a personal call to make sure we had received his life saving Hearing aids.

Gratefully Yours The Saucier Family

p.s. These are Joseph's words. I feel so much better now I can hear my grand kids & play with them. I can have conversations on the phone where as before I'd hand the phone to my wife cause I couldn't understand what was being said. I can now hear cars coming from a distance. I also can hear others talk when in an other room. With my meager pension it made it impossible to get a long term loan. I've given up and came to the conclusion to accept my hearing loss. Now I know that anything is possible if we'd just take the time and look hard enough. There is still some very kind and generous people who care enough to improve our daily lives. You are certainly living proof of this. I can't thank you enough

Joseph Saucier