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OVER THEIR ILLNESSES AND DISABILITIES**

COLLECTED WORKS

Bowe, Frank. *Comeback: Six Remarkable People Who Triumphed Over Disability* (Harper & Row, 1981).
923.624 B

Cassie, Dhyan. *So Who's Perfect? People With Visible Differences Tell Their Own Stories* (Herald Press, 1984).
362.4092 C

AIDS

Peabody, Barbara. *The Screaming Room: A Mother's Journal of Her Son's Struggle With AIDS* (Oak Tree, 1986).
362.1969 P

White, Ryan. *Ryan White, My Own Story* (Dial, 1991).
362.1989 W

The story of the young hemophiliac who traveled around the country speaking on AIDS, before succumbing to the disease.

ALCOHOLISM

Molloy, Paul. *Where Did Everybody Go?* (Doubleday, 1981).
B Molloy

Thomsen, Robert. *Bill W.* (Harper & Row, 1975).
B W111 T

The man who founded Alcoholics Anonymous.

ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)

Boslough, John. *Stephen Hawking's Universe* (Morrow, 1985).
523.1 B

Although severely limited in his motor abilities, Hawking is considered one of the most brilliant scientists in the world and wrote one of the 1980s most popular books, *A Brief History of Time*.

AMPUTEES

Cleland, Max. *Strong at the Broken Places* (Chosen Books, 1980).
B Cleland

Puller, Lewis B. *Fortunate Son: The Autobiography of Lewis B. Puller, Jr.* (Grove Weidenfeld, 1991).

959.7043 P

Lewis B. Puller, Jr., the son of Maj. Gen. Lewis “Chesty” Puller, lost both of his legs and a hand while serving in Vietnam.

AUTISM

Kaufman, Barry Neil. *Son-Rise* (Harper & Row, 1976).

B K1996 K

BLINDNESS

Charles, Ray. *Brother Ray: Ray Charles' Own Story* (Warner, 1978).

B Charles

Keller, Helen. *The Story of My Life* (Doubleday, 1902).

B K29 KSA

CANCER

Blumberg, Rena. *Headstrong: A Story of Conquests and Celebrations* (Crown, 1982).

B Blumberg

Ireland, Jill. *Life Wish* (Little, Brown, 1987).

B Ireland

Zumwalt, Elmo, Jr., and Elmo Zumwalt III. *My Father, My Son* (Macmillan, 1986).

B Zumwalt Z

A Vietnam veteran, Elmo Zumwalt III was exposed to Agent Orange and subsequently developed cancer. The order to spray Agent Orange came from his father, Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, Jr.

DEAFNESS

Bragg, Bernard. *Lessons in Laughter: The Autobiography of a Deaf Actor* (Gallaudet University Press, 1989).

B Bragg

Kisor, Henry. *What's That Pig Outdoors? A Memoir of Deafness* (Hill and Wang, 1990).

B Kisor

Sidransky, Ruth. *In Silence: Growing Up Hearing in a Deaf World* (St. Martin's Press, 1990).

306.874 S

DYSLEXIA

Hampshire, Susan. *Susan's Story: An Autobiographical Account of My Struggle With Dyslexia* (St. Martin's Press, 1982).

B Hampshire

Simpson, Eileen B. *Reversals: A Personal Account of Victory Over Dyslexia* (Houghton Mifflin, 1979).

616.8553 S

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Webster, Barbara D. *All of a Piece: A Life With Multiple Sclerosis* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1989).

B Webster

PARALYSIS

Segal, Patrick. *The Man Who Walked in His Head* (Morrow, 1980).

B Segal

SCHIZOPHRENIA

North, Carol S. *Welcome, Silence: My Triumph Over Schizophrenia* (Simon & Schuster, 1987).

B North

North was able to overcome her illness and became a psychiatrist who treats other schizophrenics.

Sheehan, Susan. *Is There No Place on Earth for Me?* (Houghton Mifflin, 1982).

B Frumkin S

This book is both the story of Sylvia Frumkin, a Queens woman who spent over half her life in psychiatric treatment, and an indictment of our country's psychiatric institutions.

Vonnegut, Mark. *The Eden Express* (Praeger, 1975).

B V947 V

Mark Vonnegut, the son of novelist Kurt, presents a memoir of his battle against schizophrenia.