

Over the past 18 years, we have had to struggle with the realization that our beautiful twin boys would never lead normal lives. Both boys suffer from Landau Kleffner Syndrome, a rare form of Epilepsy. For 16 years, the seizures were under control with medication for both Travis and Trevor.

At age 16, Trevor's seizures broke through and we were finding it almost impossible to get them controlled by medications. After more than 6 months, we finally found a "seizure cocktail" of 4 anti-epileptic drugs which helped to minimize his seizures. Although this was great news, by this time, the more than 40 daily seizures he suffered from had taken a toll on his body, he was now finding it difficult to feed himself, walking was difficult as he had lost a great deal of strength, his entire body was hunched over and he even had a difficult time using the bathroom without falling down. Trevor basically spent 6 months in bed as anything he did seemed to cause him to have a seizure. He was even having them when he ate, needless to say he lost a great deal of weight as he became fearful of even eating.

Because of Trevor's other medical conditions, he had now become extremely fearful of doctor's offices and hospitals, but he needed therapy in an effort to try and regain some of his lost skills. We had known about Nature's Edge and decided that was the place for him to get his needed therapies. The setting at Nature's Edge is such that these very special children sometimes don't even realize they are receiving medical help. This was the case for Trevor, he was in his glory! In his eyes, he was at a farm with so many animals, he enjoyed going and was able to get the therapy he needed without being fearful.

Nature's Edge did in fact give us our son back, although he will always have difficulty, especially since all of seizures, he has been able to smile again! Landau Kleffner Syndrome has robbed our sons of their childhood, Nature's Edge has given Trevor a part of that childhood back, thank you Nature's Edge!

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