

# INJURED ON THE BATTLE FIELD

*during the Korean War, Private First Class Raymond Kelley Finally Finds Relief At Southwest Spine Center in Colon, MI.*

In 1950 on the Korean Peninsula, P.F.C. Raymond Kelley was injured when a mortar landed near him and caused him to injure his spine. Shrapnel hit him in the face and he said if it weren't for his teeth he wouldn't be alive. The doctors were able to help with his teeth and face but when he asked about his back they told him "your young, you'll be okay". Since then he has been dealing with back pain for over 60 years. He tried many things over the years to get better. He took pain medicine for years but it caused kidney and liver issues. He went to physical therapy dozens of times, received dozens of spinal injections, and went to several chiropractors all to end up the same way or sometimes worse. Like many others, when these approaches to pain generally fail the next step is a consultation with a neurosurgeon. He knew there were many risks involved with surgery especially at his age but he didn't have much choice. He was scheduled to meet with his surgeon but he got sick with pneumonia for a few weeks. As terrible as pneumonia is, in his case it was a blessing because it gave him enough time to get another opinion.

In September of 2019 Ray came into my office in a wheel chair. His MRI of his

spine showed it had several discs that were degenerated, bulging and herniated (slipped disc). We started him on our Spinal Restoration Program using Non-Surgical Spinal Decompression. We also used low-level laser to help decrease inflammation and repair damage to the tissue.

One day in December about 5 weeks into his treatment he came in for another session. This time when he came in it was different. He didn't have the wheel chair. He came in under his own power. He was smiling, which is something he hadn't done it quite a while. He looked at me and told me he "was

getting there". It was the first time he didn't have to rely on his wheel chair for years. After a few more weeks he completed his treatment. I asked him what he thought about his treatment. Not a man of many words he replied "It got better, by far. It's a miracle treatment. If it wasn't for you, I don't know what would have happened".

At Southwest Spine Center, we combine this technology with all our other effective programs that we offer. We focus 100% of our time and talent on serious and severe disc cases causing pain and numbness in the back or neck and down the leg or arm. There is a dedicated facility for patients like you and Ray that have tried everything, don't want surgery and are not ready to give up. We can now help patients that prior to our Spinal Restoration Program using Spinal Decompression, would have had to live in pain for the rest of their lives. They come to us when other treatments have failed to give them relief. It's proven-effective and it is the SOLUTION for so many.



Dr. Stephen Awwad D.C.

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*and find out if you're a candidate for this treatment. See if you, too, can avoid back or neck surgery.*

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PFC Raymond Kelley  
Korean War Veteran

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