

DARREN: WE'VE SMILED A LOT OF MILES HEARING THE STORIES OF INDEPENDENT LIVING WITH THE HELP OF MERIL.

DARREN: JAMIE, IF IT WEREN'T FOR MERIL, YOU COULDN'T LIVE ON YOUR OWN...

JAMIE: I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HAVE THE SUPPORT AND SERVICES. I WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO GO TO A NURSING HOME.

DARREN: TAMMY, HOW HAS MERIL HELPED YOU MAINTAIN YOUR INDEPENDENCE?

TAMMY: I WORK PART TIME AND I CAN BE ABLE TO HAVE A PRODUCTIVE LIFE.

DARREN: CARY, WHERE WOULD YOU BE WITHOUT MERIL?

CARY: I WOULD PROBABLY BE IN A LOT WORSE SITUATION BECAUSE OF MY HANDICAP.

DARREN: A CAR ACCIDENT LEFT PHYLLIS OF MARYVILLE A QUADRAPLEGIC. HOW HAS MERIL HELPED YOU?

PHYLLIS: I FEEL MORE CONFIDENT TO GO OUT IN THE COMMUNITY.

DARREN: ANGELA WAS PERMANENTLY INJURED IN A CAR ACCIDENT.... SHE NOW LIVES INDEPENDENTLY THROUGH MERIL.

ANGELA: IT'S SOMETHING FOR ANYBODY NO MATTER WHAT AGE YOU ARE, NO MATTER WHAT DISABILITY YOU HAVE.

DARREN: ANDREA GARDNER - A FIERY CRASH LEFT HER WITH BURNS OVER 50% OF HER BODY...

ANDREA: WHAT PREVENTS ME.... NOTHING....ITS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE OUT THERE TO HELP!

CHANT - "Happy Holidays from MERIL"

DARREN: MERIL...MIDLAND EMPIRE RESOURCES FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING ...MORE AMAZING STORIES COMING NEXT YEAR.