



Mandy (me)

Mom

Brain Surgery Day

Since September 5, 2021, I have been battling a brain tumor. I had to learn to walk and talk again. My life was flipped upside down. I had to quit Nursing School and fight my health struggles.

On September 8, 2023, two years later I was blessed to be able to take this picture with my mom before surgery. I was gowned up and fully prepped to remove two brain tumors. I was not only excited to take this picture; however, I was nervous. I knew the surgery was extensive and many risks were involved. Getting to this moment was a dream and an ability to put health issues behind me. It opened up my view on life and taught me to never give up. This picture is not just a selfie. It is a remembrance that there is light at the end of the tunnel, you may just have to be the one to work harder to get to it.

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