

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
Frontotemporal Dementia

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<p>Intro with music</p>	<p>GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.</p>
<p>Sue Bishop</p>	<p>"WE WERE SEEING OUR SON DISAPPEAR BEFORE OUR EYES LITTLE BIT BY LITTLE BIT."</p>
	<p>SUE AND BILL BISHOP ARE WATCHING A DISEASE CALLED FRONTOTEMPORAL DEMENTIA, OR FTD, CONSUME THEIR SON BRAD. THE BRAIN DISORDER IS CHANGING HIM FROM A CARING YOUNG MAN WITH A BRIGHT FUTURE INTO A PERSON WHOSE BEHAVIOR IS ERRATIC, CHILDLIKE AND AT TIMES INAPPROPRIATE.</p>
<p>Brad Boeve, M.D. Mayo Clinic neurologist</p>	<p>"FOR THE FAMILY, IT'S FRANKLY A NIGHTMARE."</p>
	<p>DR. BRAD BOEVE, A MAYO CLINIC</p>

	<p>NEUROLOGIST SAYS FTD AFFECTS THE AREAS OF THE BRAIN WHICH CONTROL THINGS LIKE JUDGMENT, LANGUAGE AND SOCIAL BEHAVIORS. RESEARCH SUGGESTS THAT FTD IS THE RESULT OF MALFUNCTIONING PROTEINS THAT CAUSE YOUR BRAIN CELLS TO DIE PREMATURELY.</p>
	<p>THE BISHOPS WANT OTHERS TO KNOW ABOUT FTD. SO LOVED ONES CAN GET THE SUPPORTIVE CARE THEY NEED.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>