#### **Dear Prime Minister**

#### **Open letter from MND patients**

We are a group of patients living with motor neurone disease. We are calling for more investment and concerted action to find a cure or life-saving treatment for this horrific disease.

MND is a death sentence. Each of us will lose the ability to walk, use our arms and hands, speak, eat and ultimately breathe. Most of us will become completely paralysed and trapped in our own bodies. We will all die of the disease because there are no treatments to help us. One-third of us will die within a year, and two-thirds within two years. And MND is not rare - it will kill 1 in 300 people or 200,000 of the current population.

However, research has now reached a point where a cure or life-saving treatments **can** be found. This is thanks largely to the work of charities and donations from the public. The UK Government does invest but at a level of less than £5m a year (not counting research into neurodegenerative disease more generally, which is of little help to terminally ill MND patients). This is insufficient for a disease of this nature.

World leading UK scientists propose co-ordinated action across all UK MND research centres to establish a virtual MND Translational Research Institute to accelerate the delivery of life-saving treatments, at a cost of £50m over 5 years. A detailed plan has been submitted to the Government, which will also establish the UK as a leader in this area of research and forge the way to discoveries in related diseases such as dementia. The current piecemeal and protracted approach of funding individual projects will not deliver the life-saving treatments we need. We patients fully support our scientists and charities.

Covid has shown what can be done where there is a will and sufficient investment. MND patients are fed up with being told that it will be many years until life-saving treatments can be developed - we believe that they can be delivered much sooner. How many more people will die a horrific death before we push for change? How many more families will be traumatised at watching their loved ones go through such an ordeal? Many of us may not survive long enough to benefit but we want to prevent the suffering of future patients: 200,000 of the current population.

We urgently appeal for action and investment now.

Signed by a cross section of people who have MND:

Natalie, 21 year old dancer who competed national and European level - now unable to walk. Glasgow.

Jordan, 24. I was in the Army when diagnosed, I wanted to serve my country now I am reliant on my parents for my personal care, Wolverhampton.

Lucy, 27 diagnosed at 19. Mum to 1 with 1 on more the way. Moray.

Paris, 30, mummy to two daughters aged 6 and 10, former GB gymnast who won Silver at European and World championships, London.

Sheree, 30, student Nurse but will have to give up being an RGN soon, had to give up guitar after 16 years playing, Highlands.

Christopher, 30, within 7 months, I am confined to a wheelchair, requiring a ventilator to breathe and talk. Please help me, please help others with this horrific disease. Northern Ireland.

Samantha, 30. Living as positively with MND. West Midlands.

Bryony, 30. Diagnosed at 28, taken my independence and the life i had hoped to have. Northumberland.

Jo, 31, robbed of the chance to have a family, former Forensic Imaging Officer, Dundee, Scotland.

Tamara, 31, former test engineer and keen equestrian, not had the chance to have children.

Natalie, 31, mother to two beautiful daughters aged 1 & 2, Chesterfield.

### Daniel, 31. Dad to two young kids.

Stephen, 32, former professional footballer. Greater Manchester.

Kirsty, 33, 2 daughters, diagnosis turned our life upside down, the lack of treatment or hope is breaking me and my family. I need to see my daughters grow up. North West.

Rachel, 33. Recently diagnosed with this awful disease just as I was thinking of starting a family with my partner. Tyne and Wear.

Davy, 33, I have MND. Sort it out. Edinburgh.

Joanne, 33, I was diagnosed with motor neurone disease 6 years ago. Stafford.

Philip, 34, two children age 6 and 3, I have a young family and everything to live for, used to be a civil engineer, Essex.

Katherine, 34, I have 2 children age 3 and 1 whom I desperately want to see grow up. Warwickshire.

Emma, 34, mum of 6 and teaching assistant, Reading.

Steve, 34, ex plumber, diagnosed at 33. my son was only born in the January. no one should have to go through what I and too many others have. Devon.

Florence, 35, married with two children age 5 and 2. Optician and practice partner from County Durham.

Claire, 35, a daughter, sister, aunt, wife and mother to 3 children, worked as a Makeup Artist. The 9th member of her family to be diagnosed, South Lanarkshire.

Natalie, 35, former Swimming Teacher who now can't swim. MND has destroyed my dreams of everything that requires you to independently place one foot in front of the other.

Cara, 36, mother of two daughters aged 2 and 7, Head of PE in a secondary school, Lincolnshire.

James, 36, husband and father to 3 children aged 5, 3 and 7 weeks. Dorset.

George, 36, Played football professional and semi. My wife, kids, family and friends are all that matter. Lancashire.

Lesley, 36. Married and Mother of 1 boy 14. Nurse and I loved my job. A relentless all consuming devastating life sentence . Northern Ireland.

Joanne, 36. More needs to be done. Greater Manchester.

Helen, 36. With MND, every breath is exhausting, eating is a challenge and moving is a task in endurance, aside from the pain, nausea and loss of independence. Please invest in research before someone you love, or even you become affected. Pembrokeshire.

Kelly, 37, former nursery nurse, aunt to two nieces 11&13, Staffordshire.

Sam, 37, husband, brother, son, uncle. Two time Ironman triathlete, diagnosed at 37, my mind has been getting stronger ever since.

Ian, 37, want to see my 11 year old daughter grow up with my wife. Cheshire.

Jen, 37, diagnosed 6 weeks after having my baby. Tyne and Wear.

## Sam, 37, Natwich

Vicky, 38, 3 children, don't want to leave my family, West Yorkshire.

Chris, 38, British Forces Veteran.

Rob, 38. MND does not just affect the sufferer, it affects the whole family. The government must act now to fund research projects to change the bleak outcome

Suzanne, 38. It is possible to stop MND but the government chooses not to.

Belfast.

John, 38, stop MND devastating lives. Sale.

Julie, 39, I have a 3 year old daughter and 10 year old son, Bedfordshire.

Natalie, 39 years old.

Eoin, 39 year old architect with a wife, 3 year old son and 2 year old daughter. I was diagnosed just over a year ago and am now severely disabled. London.

Thomas, 39. So many young fit people getting this disease. West Midlands.

Gareth, 39, Please help. Cheshire.

Caroline, 39, MND is a cruel disease, more funding into research is desperately needed. North Wales.

Mirela, 39. Please do something for this horrible disease. Hounslow.

Mary, 39, MND is catastrophic and patients need hope that the government are doing something to help.

Martin, 40, dad of three children: Jack 8 Poppy 7 and Ollie 4, employed by Lloyds Bank.

Rebecca, 40, mum to 4 amazing children ages 5,11,12 & 13, West Yorkshire.

Michael, 40, father of son and daughter aged 5 and 6, learning mentor, Liverpool.

Emma, 40, mother of a 4-year-old daughter, former deputy headmistress, Northants.

Arta, 40, mother of a daughter and son aged 14 and 8, London.

Daniel, 40. Father of two beautiful girls 9 and 3. Husband to his soul mate. Fighting for independence and quality of life. Greater Manchester.

Kelly, 40. I would like see input of investment. Louth.

Mark, 40. MND ruins lives, more funding is so desperately needed. Walsall.

Alistair, 40. More funds for MND research are urgently needed. Motherwell.

Sadie, 41, mother of 4 children, Norfolk.

Chris, 41, two children aged 10 and 8, Chartered Surveyor, Cheshire.

Kelly, 41, mum of 2 boys, 12 and 9, Cambridgeshire.

Tony, 41, I have a one year old daughter, and a wife who need me, please help us to find a cure for this terrible disease, the effects of which are comparable to being slowly buried alive. Liverpool.

Lorraine, 41, ALS 4 years. Enniskillen

Hannah, 41. Fund MND research properly. It is not ok that it'll this is overlooked.

East Anglia.

Pat, 41, married 4 kids and a granddaughter. Bristol.

Sean, 42, three children, former asbestos specialist, wants to live to see kids group up, Birmingham.

Alan, 42, husband, father 2 kids. First symptoms 2017 diagnosed Sept 20. Glasgow.

## Andrew, age 42, One 11 year old daughter. Buckinghamshire

Martin, 43, two children aged 12 and 8, former Semi Professional Footballer, Aberdeen.

Michelle, 43, mummy to a 5 yr old girl, and twin boys aged 3. Former builders labourer, loved it.. I need to see my children grow up. Leicestershire.

Paul, 43. Transport Planner with a wife and 2 children aged 13 and 10.

Worcestershire.

Alex, 43, diagnosed with MND unfortunately. However life goes on and you have to adapt. Chairman of Challenging MND. Essex.

Andy 43 Father of 3 sons age 12, 9 and 8, Dorset.

Louise, 43. More investment iand support is needed into MND. Nottingham.

Kate, 44, MND cost me my career, my marriage and my chance to be a mum, Berkshire.

Ellis, 44. Noose around neck waiting to be pushed!!! Bristol.

Reece, 44, impacting me and all my family every single second of our lives.

Manchester.

Anoushka, 44, single mum to 2 girls. Former lawyer. Had to give up my career, would like to see my girls grow up. London.

Andrew, 44. I am a prisoner in my own body. Please help. South.

Catherine, 44. More funding is required to help combat this debilitating condition.

East Yorkshire.

Craig, 45, father of two, branch manager, former amateur football player. Worked since age of 16, never had a day off sick until this, Swindon.

Jackie, 45, mother of daughter 24 and son 12. My beautiful children. Merseyside.

Anna, 45, academic, can't support my mum in her old age. Hertfordshire.

Eleanor, 45, mother of a beautiful, smart daughter, age 11. London.

Jason, 45, it's crucial to stop this disease and stop suffering for people and their families. Hull.

Siobhan, 45, Muirhead.

Lisa, 45, West Sussex.

Julip, 46, father of 2 sons and 2 daughters aged 11, 18, 19 and 21, Surrey.

Neil, 46, Need a cure for this awful disease and quick! Shropshire.

Pedro, 46. We need more job done from the government to this horrible disease.

Saffron Walden.

## Martin, 46, Manchester.

Alan, 46, we need money now for more MND research. People are dying. Get it sorted Boris. South Shields.

Ashleigh, 47, Chartered Accountant, wife, mother of a 7yr old boy and 6yr old girl, Pinner.

Lisa, 47, specialist veterinary dentistry and oral surgeon. Surrey.

Nicola, 47, mother of two sons aged 9 & 6 - desperate to see them grow up, Essex.

Maria, 47, mother of 3, one of whom is autistic: I'm his rock, now he feels scared about what will be his life without me, Leamington Spa.

Mark, 47, dad to 3 boys 10, 11 and 15, served in the Royal Navy for 17 years,

Devon.

Nicky, 47, loves & lives life to the full, until hereditary MND took over, Northamptonshire.

Patrick, 47, we need action now to save our lives for people with mnd instead of blatantly being told to go away and die NOT ACCEPTABLE! Tyne and Wear.

Euan, 47, charity worker, father of 2, husband and son. Edinburgh.

Mark, 47, I was diagnosed with MND 2 weeks ago, this needs more funding to find a cure for this horrible disease. Scotland.

Claire, 47, it's very important to put more money and resources into finding a cure. People shouldn't have to suffer deteriorating health in this cruel way.

Basingstoke.

Michael, 47, Diagnosis of MND is so cruel, no treatment, no cure and a complete lack of hope. You are effectively waiting to die. Greater Manchester.

John, 47, Glasgow.

Adrian, 47. Devastating disease, just this weekend told our 3 children and my parents, A conversation so, so hard to have and one no one should have to have.

Manchester.

Steve, 47, Papa to Lucy, please fund this research so I can live to see her grow up.

Cambridge.

Jason, 48, dad to 3 sons and grandad to a little boy aged 2. Former professional footballer.

Esther, 48, one son, former supervisor in an opticians.

Sheila, 48, worked with people with learning difficulties, West Sussex.

Carlos, 48, father of 2 children, gave up a career as sales director and my other passion Triathlon. Surrey.

Sioned, 48, three children aged 26 24 17, two grandchildren, North Wales.

Jennie, 48, two children aged 16 and 12, worked in HR for IT services company,

Berkshire.

Christopher, 48, diagnosed in 2019 8 months after his twin daughters were born.

Hasn't been able to properly interact or care for them as both hands have deteriorated so much he cannot hold them. South Yorkshire.

Stuart, 48. Please let this happen. Aberdeenshire.

Julia 48. Research for this crippling disease is urgently needed. Moulton.

Mark, 49, two children, former professional footballer turned golf course manager, South London.

Sheila 49, mum to three boys 22, 19, 16, Surrey.

Neville, 49, was a keen cyclist and organist but this cruel disease has robbed me of the ability to do both of these which were my passion. Northern Ireland.

Sharon, 49, I have so much I want to do but am trapped in a body that is failing me. Please help - it's heartbreaking. West Sussex.

John, 49, married and father of 2 sons, forced to stop work due to MND. Fife.

Mark, 49. Living with this cruel disease for two years. Humberside.

Michelle, 49. I'm the 3rd generation to have this horrible disease. Need to find a cure for us, if not for future generations. Castleford.

Stephen, 59. Make a change by submitting funds for the greater good of humanity. Derbyshire.

Victoria, 49, Climate Change Research Scientist and devoted Mum of two daughters aged 11 and 14. Have so much to contribute to environmental science and societies' issues as well as my children's education. Devon.

Dawn, 50, mother and grandmother to twin babies, Buckinghamshire.

David, 50, MND took my legs some years ago. Now it is taking my hands, arms and ability to breath. Leicestershire.

Dean, 50, father of four. Ceased dental practice, a career I loved. Cornwall.

Bernarde, 50. Co Down.

Lee, 50, I was diagnosed with MND 2 years ago. Tyne and Wear.

*Linda, 50, please help with research. Dumfriesshire.* 

Claire, 50. More research and funds must be available to find treatments to improve patients and families quality of life and longevity. Morpeth.

Tracy, 50, Cardiff

Richard, 50, I was diagnosed with flail arm syndrome motor neurone disease in 2012. Bedfordshire.

Mark, 50. I urge you to act on this crucial initiative. Sussex.

## Kev, 50, Merseyside.

Ron, 50. I find it difficult as I miss socialising with the outside world and doing things that I would normally do. Plymouth.

Gary, 51, one daughter and a granddaughter aged 2 years, Portchester.

Lez, 51, husband, dad, grandad. RAF veteran who served in Iraq. Co Durham.

Len, 51, former footballer and a father of three.

Doddie, 51, MND is brutal to the patient AND their family - we need all the help and support we can get to stop this awful disease. Scottish Borders.

Devi, 51, I was diagnosed with MND last April. London.

Peter, 51, I'm fighting this nasty disease. We need funding urgently to help find a cure. Hampshire.

Carl, 51, married with two children given a life sentence aged 48. Lancashire.

Razi, 51. No one survives MND. Increased funding for MND research will change that. London.

Steve, 51, Father of 3, was an active professional musician, now struggle trying to walk without falling over and my hands so bad that I will never play music again.

Herefordshire.

Chris, 51. Only able to walk very short distances unaided, also very difficult to perform everyday household tasks. West Yorkshire.

Andrew 'Ned' Cullen MBE, 51, former RAF fighter pilot. I cannot move, eat, drink, talk or breathe without the use of a ventilator. MND has taken everything from me except my will to live. Lincolnshire.

Jennifer 51. This is crucial for the lives of all people affected by this terrible disease, it's ripples are far reaching. East Lothian.

## Nicky, 51, Elgin

Pauline, 51. Please fund research into the horrible, cruel disease. Lanarkshire.

Christina, 51. I was a nhs cook for 29years also a home care worker 28 yes before mnd took over without permission and deprived me of jobs I loved. Isle of South Uist.

Julie, 52, single mother of 2, a gymnast in my youth training 6 days a week, West
Midlands

Steven, 52, I was diagnosed in October and I only have mths to live. St Helens.

Mark, 52, living a happy life with family until snatched away by this cruel disease.

Devon.

Nigel, 52, Married, Father of 3. NHS Volunteer. Spalding.

Margaret, 52. Help us please. Staffordshire.

# Gary, 52, Need to progress this, Stonehaven

Martin, 52. We all need help to find a cure and stop others suffering in the future.

Southampton.

Katie, 52. Please help fund research to find a cure for this terrible disease. Leeds.

Mark, 52, living with mind is a slow aganising death for me and worse for my familyl Wiltshire.

Kirsty, 53, mum to six and a grandmother to our baby girl, artist /teacher,

Buckinghamshire.

Kielly, 52, one son, given up a loved career in the NHS, Buckinghamshire.

Elaine, 53, two children, former dog groomer. I want to see my daughter graduate as a nurse and see my grandchildren, Fife. (Elaine has sadly passed away since signing.)

Ian, 53, husband, dad of 2 girls, Kent.

Gordon 53, Husband, diagnosed Feb 2019, Dad of 3, Police Officer 23 years, Oxfordshire.

Stephen, 53, IT manager, husband, father of two boys, former rugby referee, open canoe paddler. Berkshire.

Chris, 53, married with 2 children, living with MND. Greater Manchester.

Helga, 53, hard working Mother/grandmother. East Sussex.

Tim, 53, robbed of all the things I loved doing and totally reliant on my lovely wife. We need the Government to listen and to act now! Sussex.

Annmarie, 53, Help us to get a cure for MND. I was diagnosed on the 4th Feb 2021. East Lothian.

Carol, 53, married two children one grand son, Tyne and Wear.

Christine, 53, wife, mother to 15 year old son, forced to give up 30 year career as an Occupational Therapist. Norfolk.

Julie aged 53. Wolverhampton

Vanessa, 53, Mother of 1 daughter. Harlow.

Steve, 53, husband and dad to 2 boys. Unable to walk unaided. Used to referee rugby, paddle a canoe and enjoy camping holidays. Berkshire.

Vanessa, 53, Mother of 1 daughter. Harlow.

Sarah, 53. 2 children aged 18 and 15, I want to see them grow up and spend time watching them grow into adults. Please help me to achieve this. Exeter.

Bob, 53. Husband to a lovely wife, father to a fantastic 16 year old son, employer of 18 great people. Carmarthen.

Chris, 54, father of a son and daughter aged 11 and 16, former senior police officer, Bromsgrove.

Jim, 54, diagnosed July 2018, daughter age 20, son age 14, former driving instructor, Cambridgeshire.

Craig Davies, 54, active man, worked hard all his life. Merseyside.

Gintautas, 54, married father of 7, the youngest two aged 16 and 11 only.

Norfolk.

Alastair, 54, MND since 2020, 3 young kids, London.

Mark, 54, MND, wheelchair user, veteran we need help to live life the best we can. Wales.

Dean, 54, please help us beat this merciless disease, Wales.

Henry, 54, married. Father of three 14yrs 12yrs and 10yrs. Sale assistant. London.

Alan 54. We need help today not tomorrow when it is to late. Scotland.

Kevin, 54. MND deserves more money for research please help. Cheshire.

Nicola, 54. This awful disease has ruined my life. One daughter and three beautiful grandsons! I want to see them grow up. Gloucestershire.

## We need to find a cure. Bonnyrigg

Angie, 54. Please help all these people to overcome devastating MND. Bradford.

Susy, 55, spent my career in medical research, seeing real progress in other diseases. Trying to make it to my son's wedding.

Geraldine, 55, single mum to two teenagers, former discharge coordinator in NHS, West Yorkshire.

John, 55, dad to 6 children, grandad to 9 grandchildren and 1 unborn grandchild, North London.

Diana, 55, diagnosed with MND 2019, primary school teacher, mum of 2, stepmum of 2, grandmother to 7, Norfolk

Carol, 55, retired police officer, I have a wonderful Husband and 5 children, 6 grandchildren, Lincoln.

Doug, 55, living with MND, married to wife Shelley living with MS, this disease stops me doing basic jobs, let alone care for my wife, Kings Lynn.

David, 55, recently diagnosed. Husband of 24 years and Dad of 2. Keen mountain biker looking forward to retirement, Perthshire.

Ian, 55, living with x-linked MND, gradually losing myself.

Tommy, 55, being diagnosed is not easy to take both mentally and physically and research is the way forward, not for my generation but the next. Gloucestershire.

Sarah, 55, mother of two, artist and writer, London.

Chris, 55. Mum of a son 25 and daughter 23. Action is required for this devastating terminal disease which is not rare! Cardiff

Gill, 55. The impact on my husband and six children has been devastating beyond words. Nottinghamshire.

Barry, 55, husband, father of two aged 13 and 11 who don't deserve to see me like this. Surrey.

Adam, 55, husband, father and grandfather, Senior Mental Health Nurse.

Southwest.

John, 55. We need a cure or treatment now to this horrendous life limiting illness.

Tyne and Wear.

Diana, 55, terminally ill and progressively disabled, teacher no longer able to work in school. Norfolk.

Wayne, 55, diagnosed with motor neurone disease. Bristol.

Mark, 55. Please give this cruel disease the focus it requires. Wakefield.

David, 55. It is a key requirement of this government to support this worthy cause. Manchester.

Antony, 56, two sons and a grandaughter, former world famous maker of rocking horses and furniture restoration for Royalty, North Yorkshire.

Carolyn, 56. Since diagnosis 6 weeks ago I cry a lot at the thought of leaving my loved ones. Kent.

Carol 56 was cabin crew for BA, mum to 1 daughter. Ayrshire.

Lindsay, 56, a dedicated teacher who has had an abrupt end to a career of over 30 years. A mother and a wife. West Sussex.

Tim 56 I know that I will die of MND because there is no cure for this disease, what we need is RESEARCH. Sheffield.

Karen, 56, mother of boys 25 and 23 and are girl15. Wales.

Christine, 56, took 5 years to diagnosis, devastated, Cheshire.

Fonaine, 56, I'm struggling to keep going, but want to.... Please help use find a cure. If we can do covid, let's do MND as well. Teddington.

Andrew, 56, the devastating affect of no cure is poor in the 21st century when research is on the cusp of success is so close. Huntingdon.

Simon 56, please help put an end and find a cure for sufferers like me.

Leicestershire.

Zahra, 56, my husband gave up his job to be my carer, we need more support from this government. Swindon.

Graham 56 would love to see our grandchildren grow up funds needed now.

South Yorkshire.

Simon, 56, wife and 2 sons. I wanted to grow old and walk down country lanes as an old retired couple with my wife and soul mate. Leicestershire.

Adrian, 56, Previously keen golf and tennis player. Husband and father. So much to lose. We need a cure now. Kent.

Paula, 56. Living with MND! Flintshire.

Jeremy, 56. I am suffering from MND I am now bed ridden and have had to move in with my 81year old mother. Kent.

Alison, 56. MND is stealing not only my life but that of my children and family.

Liverpool.

Mark, 56. We need to find a cure - so much research is going on but now needs a co-ordinated approach - we could be there soon if we were better funded.

Hampshire.

Phil, 56, worked hard all my life, now that life is being cut short in a horrendous way, please find a cure. Lincolnshire

Matthew, 56. Mute now and tube fed. MND is the mother of cruel and inhuman diseases. Lancashire.

Catherine, 56, mother and grandmother living with MND. This life changing disease doesn't care who it affects and can be very cruel. Midlands.

Paul, 56 year old father of 3 boys. Wales.

Liam, 57, husband with a son, former construction manager, Surrey.

Sue, 57 and need constant care, former District Councillor and School Governor at three schools.

Fiona, 57, married, two children and a new little grandson, Kent.

Tina, 57, had to give up my career as a civil servant with the DWP, losing the ability to do the things I love, West Wales.

Anthony, 57, bulbar onset, Lincolnshire.

Karen, 57, recently diagnosed, Company Secretary, West Yorkshire.

Lesley, 57, wife & mum of two wonderful sons. Devastated to not be able to enjoy grandchildren. Brighton.

Steve, 57 ex hgv driver, Junior football coach, 3 sons, diagnosed nearly 2 year.

West Yorkshire.

Colin, 57, felled in my prime by this cruel disease. Too much living still to do, cruelly being taken away way too soon. Cumbria.

Susan, 57. We need more funding to battle MND. Imagine being told you have only a few yrs to live, it's frightening.

West Yorkshire

Rob, 57, with 3 young children needs support/funding to enable me to enjoy the children growing up. Kidderminster

### Jacqueline, 57, Watford.

## Julie, 57. Acknowledge MND now! Cheshire.

Mark, 57. Accelerate research into gene based therapies for MND, just as was done for Covid. Devon.

Larraine, 57, I have no use of any limbs, my speech and swallow have gone. I'm fed through a tube and talk by computer. Please give me a chance to improve and see my grandchildren grow up. South Lanarkshire.

Helen, 57, whilst medical advances continue everywhere else, there is no change for the better for mnd. North West England.

Gwynie, 57. I am already losing my speech, it won't be long until I can't eat, then I will be peg fed. Last week I found I couldn't stand or walk anymore. Somerset.

Lee, 58, married father of one son, forced to stop adored career early along with his wife, Sussex.

Steven, 58, husband, father to 3 sons, grandad of 6 month old granddaughter. Former Royal Engineer, driving instructor and taxi driver. North Yorkshire.

Lynn, 58, wife, mum of 2 but possibly never to be a grandma due to this cruel disease, Leeds.

Debbie, 58, mother to two wonderful sons and a new baby grandson, had to give up a job I loved as a primary school teacher.

Helen, 58, I suffer from this horrific disease MND, words cannot describe what affect this has on my and my family's lives.

Alison, 58, hope got me through cancer treatment but with MND there is no hope, Norfolk.

Keith, 58, I have been diagnosed with ALS. Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland.

John, 58. Husband & Father of 3 Boys, with my first Grandson due in October.

Cambridgeshire.

Kevin, 58 diagnosed in 2015, Dorset.

John, 58 we need more help to find a cure it is the worst disease ever. Liverpool.

Vince, 58, trapped in a failing body, unable to talk or eat. Wiltshire.

Keith, 58. We need more help and better benefits. Co Antrim.

John, 58, This disease needs more help to eradicate. Tideswell Buxton

Mark 58, father to 3 older children, grandad to 5 grandkids. Wiltshire.

Jules, 59, daughter, mother, soon to be grandmother, social worker, Bath.

Denyse, 59, mother of 2 daughters and a grandmother. A very vivacious woman who lived life to the full and very independent and can now no longer do anything by herself. Essex.

Jim, 59, have two beautiful girls that need me, Edinburgh.

David, 59, wife and 4 gorgeous children, medically discharged from a well loved career in the RAF, York.

James, 59, we are dying for a cure. Scotland.

Diane, 59, a long serving NHS Nurse, please help us to find a cure or treatment for this awful disease. Pembrokeshire.

Paul, 59, cabinet maker, MND has stolen all of my skills and taken over my life.

Gloucestershire.

Colin, 59, living with MND & hoping for a breakthrough in treatment. Worcester.

Linda, 59. Mother of 4 boys and office manager until 2 years ago when this disease stole my mobility and my voice. I desperately want to live to see my grandchildren grow up. Hertfordshire.

Peter, 59, please please help towards vital funds for this hideous disease put an end to the suffering for so many. West Yorkshire.

John, 59, diagnosed June 2021. North West.

Alan 59, husband, father to 2 sons and daughter who has asked her dad to write her a "father of the bride speech". Stirlingshire.

Karol, 59, Please help we need a cure. Worcester

Dylan, 59. I can't talk or eat, would you please put money into mnd to find a cure.

Llanelli.

Rachel, 59, dying to end MND. Lincolnshire.

Tim, 59, 2 children, 2 step children had a successful electrical business built on hard work. Dorset.

Simon, 59, supported by beloved wife and daughter. Having lost our son to SAD last year. Cheshire.

Jill, 59, it is time more money is given to research into this brutal disease.

Cheshire.

James, 59, diagnosed with this horrible disease March 2021 please find a cure soon. Glasgow.

James, 59. Single with two daughters and one stepdaughter. Scotland.

Alan, 59. This needs support especially because it is slow and degenerative.

Scotland.

Lesley, 59. I had to retire at 54 due to MND. Scotland.

Nicola, 59. Ex nurse, a wife and mother, grandmother ... just Praying for a breakthrough against this evil disease. Essex.

Katie, 59. Dreadful illness. Paisley.

Kenneth, 59, husband, father of two boys and grandfather of 3 children, I want a cure to see them grow old with me. Gwent.

Adrian, 60, fit healthy man, life and soul of any party/gathering, who was never sick!! East Sussex

John, 60, son aged 19, daughter aged 4, ex military.

Wayne, 60, loving husband and dad of 2 and 4 grandchildren, South Wales.

Clem, 60, I've got pains in my legs and swallowing is difficult, Bristol.

Kerry, 60, father of three, two sons and a daughter, teacher, Head of Science,

Dorset

Glen, 60, 10 year old daughter, family blown apart, 75 year old family business gone bust, 2nd Dan black belt, can't move or talk, Yorks.

Pete, 60 yrs, devastating both physically & mentally on my well being, stops me being able to be a caring, nurturing & helpful father/dad, Peacehaven.

Maxine, 60, retired, was waiting to travel abroad after caring for my Mum, I may not be able to now. Kent.

Allan, 60, I was diagnosed with MND in 2006 and would like to help in any way I can. Gateshead.

Gary, 60. Armed Forces Veteran served Queen and Country - who is there for me now?? Manchester.

Prunella, 60, my next chapter of life has been dramatically taken away from me as I approached retirement. Essex.

Michael, 60, I am living with MND requiring 24 hour care putting a huge strain on my family, Wales.

Peter, 60, husband, father, grandfather, Fire Service Appliance Adviser.

Nottingham.

Joanne, 60. Help. Cheshire.

Chris, 60. I was diagnosed in March 2021. Wales.

Paul, 60, 5 years ago my consultant gave me the worst news ever, I had 3 to 5 years to live. Hertfordshire.

Ann, 60, 3 years to diagnose when I was 45 and son was only 5. He can't remember me as 'normal'. Norfolk.

Clem, 60, Same as cancer, Bristol.

Deborah, 60. A cruel disease, that takes the person but by bit, painfully restricting everything they do until death brings relief. Crayford.

Wendy, 60. Please assist with funding the MND research there are people who need so much help with life!! Cheshire.

Julie, 60, in the last six months I have gone from being very active to being totally dependent on others. Somerset.

Ian, 60. Father of Two, grandfather of Two, now only live for they day thinking of the future is to painful to think about, now that I struggle with the disease every day. I can no longer talk, or walk far and use my arms. Scotland.

David, 60. This is a devasting illness which has a profound impact on not just the Sufferers, but the families involved. East Yorkshire.

Shaun, 60, should be looking forward to retirement and grandchildren, but don't expect to get there. Wiltshire.

Maggi, 60. Recently diagnosed. Deteriorating at a really rapid pace. Fiercely independent woman now totally dependent on others for everything. London.

Paul, 61, three children, was managing director of Acer computers, Berkshire.

Paul, 61. Married to Jess and three children in their 20's, Godalming.

Brenda, 61, wife, mother and grandmother

Cath, 61, artist and creator of the Yorkshire Calendar, North Yorkshire.

Elaine, 61, two sons and four beautiful grandchildren who I want to see grow up, Wigan.

John, 61. If research gave me more time I could do more to support others.

Lincolnshire.

Ali, 61, mother, wife & Granny to 4 grandchildren, support worker now unable to work. Norfolk.

Alan, 61, grandad, father, husband. Lost use of hands, severe respiratory weakness servicing on a ventilator. We need HOPE and a cure. West Midlands.

Paul, 61. Husband, father to 3 daughters and grandfather to 3 and a 4th to arrive next month. Greater Manchester.

Ali, 61. Mum, Granny, wife & support worker. Norfolk.

Allan, 61. Two granddaughters - So hope that I have time to see them become teenagers. Scotland.

Jane, 61. I have been diagnosed this year with motor neurone disease. I want to see my sons future. Gloucestershire

Tim, 61. Have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Live with my wife who takes care of all my needs. Gloucestershire.

Sue, 61. Please support funding to find a cure for MND. Liverpool.

Robert, 61, will prevent us planning our future as now we don't know how it looks now as it has robbed me of my speech and mobility. West Yorkshire.

Terry, 61 with a young family. I've been given no hope, no medication and nothing to cling onto. Birmingham.

Alex, 61. Time to make an impact with regard to this horrible disease. Scotland.

Stevie, 61, Bo'ness.

Denise, 62, Children's Centres manager, wife mother and grandmother, Kent.

Phil, 62, Marine Operations Manager but had to take early retirement, Hampshire.

Magsie, 62, retired, 2 children, 2 grandchildren, Hampshire.

Neil, 62, best dad husband and grandad. Family is devasted as he is deteriorating every day. Huddersfield.

Garry, 62, please help find a cure. Merseyside.

Jonathan, 62, father, grandfather, bricklayer, Berkshire.

Jean, 62, please help us by finding a cure, Powys.

John, aged 62, diagnosed with MND in April 2020. My life has changed dramatically, I can no longer work, I struggle to walk, talk and need help with day to day activities. Bedfordshire.

Stephen, 62, I can't talk, can't swallow, can't breathe properly, my musles are wasting away even a couple of steps I need help with, it's a nightmare coming to life. Newport.

Mike, 62 and won't see any grandchildren or even reach retirement age.

Hardington Mandeville.

Richard, 62, a retired chief of medicine I'm only 62 and this disease needs a cure ASAP please!

### Valerie, 62, Tayside.

Neville, 62, more monies for research needed into MND to help find a cure or slow it down. Sheffield.

Louise, 62. Living with MND for two years now. Herefordshire.

Keith, 62, have lost the ability to use everything except my eye's, Cambridgeshire.

Graham, 62. Before I was diagnosed, I worked full time and was very active. Less than one year later and I can no longer walk and I'm losing the use of my arms.

West Sussex.

Stuart, 62. MND Money Needed Donations for Treatments to Cure this Disease.

Ayrshire.

Michael, 62. I'm living with MND and we desperately need funding to find a cure for this wretched disease. Berkhamstead

Susan, 62, dreadful disease and the impact on myself and my family has been horrendous. Lincolnshire.

Diane, 62. Wife, mother of two sons and grandmother. Middlesex.

David, 62. To receive the news that you have MND is one massive kick but the worst thing is there is nothing that can be given or done to help save my life, I've been a fit healthy man all my life and now I'm in a wheelchair unable to speak, eat and it's killing me quickly. Wales.

Liz, 62. Teacher, wife, mother. Recently diagnosed. This cruel disease has taken away my future. Hertfordshire.

Neil Lennox 62, bulbar onset mnd. Bed bound within 14 months of diagnosis with no speech, no swallow, no function in all limbs. Husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. Perthshire.

Ian, 63, two daughters, former national sales manager for an IT company, North Devon.

Maria, 63, Higher Level Teaching Assistant (now medically retired), Kent.

Bob, 63, married, want to live longer, Worcester.

Bilber, 63, MND has changed our whole life and that of our two children and two grand children, we need help to find a cure that is very near. Wolverhampton.

Garry, 63, MND patient would love to see my Grandchildren grow up, South East.

Bruce, 63, married and dad of 3. Maritime lawyer forced end to career in London early. Edinburgh,

Sue, 63. I went from being an independent school principal to being completely dependent on others, unable to move, speak or eat within 1 year. Warwickshire.

Martin, 63, I am on deaths row not committed murder so a cure must be made to end MND, Lowestoft

David, 63. I want clinical trials like for Covid vaccine: we die waiting - literally!

Northumberland.

Linda, 63, before this devastating terminal diagnosis was fit and healthy working as a social worker. Hampton.

- David, 63, MND has transformed me from a fiercely independent workaholic, to someone who needs 24/7 care in every aspect of his life. London
- Naushaba, 63, recently been diagnosed, the lack of knowledge and prognosis has been incredibly difficult for myself and my family. London.
  - Ken, 63, I struggle every day with my balance and mobility. Let's put an end to MND sooner rather than later! North Yorkshire.
- Steve 63. Ex soldier 41 years service. Husband, Dad and Grandad. Now completely dependent on my wife. Shropshire.

Neil, 63, family man. Lancashire.

Jane, 63, Wife, Mother and Grandmother, Oxfordshire

- Brian, 63, support government funding for critical MND research projects to find a cure. Leeds.
- Rick, 63, previously active scientist now spends every day in a wheelchair fighting this illness by painting on my computer. Cambridgeshire.
- Maria, 63 is a Wife, Mum and Nanny. She was an amazing Higher Level Teaching Assistant until when was diagnosed with MND last year. Kent.
- Anne, 63, mum and granny of 4, Now needing 24 hour care and unable to move, speak, eat, drink, laugh. West Yorkshire.
- Anthony, 63. Now unable to work, can only walk short distance using a rollater.

  MND now affects legs, hands, speech and swallowing. Hampshire.

Mike, 63. Extremely urgent government research funding required to prevent and cure people suffering from Motor Neurone Disease. Salford.

lain, 63. Ex-Royal Artillery, now unable to work or even look after myself, have to live on benefits, most likely won't see grandchildren grow up. Perth.

Sally, 64, two sons and four beautiful grandchildren who I desperately want to see grow up, Kent.

David, 64, father and grandfather, former publisher/events manager, Surrey.

Paul, 64, I am living with MND, West Midlands.

Nick, 64, one year after retirement from the NHS, wife, 3 sons and a granddaughter. Essex.

Jenny 64 diagnosed in 2019 cannot walk or use left hand, doubly incontinent, peg fed and on a ventilator 24/7. East Sussex.

Martin, 4 children and soon to be 7 grandchildren. Can't walk and struggling to speak clearly. Devon.

Gary, 64. Married father of two. North West.

Mark, 64, diagnosed June 2019, loving dad and husband who's life will be cut short because of this a devastating illness. Somerset.

Ewan, 64; I was hoping to live a bit longer.... Flintshire.

Andrew, 64. Wheelchair bound, hands and arms now failing. Nighttime ventilator. Totally dependent on wife and carers. Staffordshire.

Fr Peter, 64. Catholic missionary in South Africa for 32 years, now back in Scotland.

Helen, 64. Stop this cruel disease. Leeds.

Janice, 65. We need a cure for this evil disease. It's not fair to let us suffer. We need help now. Fife, Scotland

Jenny, 65, wife and mother to two wonderful children in their 20's, Northants.

Jon, 65, though weak and feeble, together we are strong. East Sussex.

Chris, 65, I was diagnosed with bulbar MND on 28th January 2021, Hever.

Sally, 65, devastated by this disease and I won't see my boys get married. West Sussex.

Philip, 65, too young to die. Aberdeenshire.

Neil, 65, devastating to no longer be able to play the piano. London.

Helen - 65 - diagnosed 5 years ago, mother of two, now in full time care. West Midlands.

Janice, 65, mother of two children and beloved gran of 4. Wife of 47 years. Not what we had planned for our retirement. Fife.

Malcolm, 65. It's just 1 year since my diagnosis now I can't walk or stand or breath properly without support. Hertfordshire.

Heather, 65, I'm becoming a mere observer of the world around me, unable to contribute. Somerset.

Mal, 65. It would be nice to believe someone in government cared.

Buckinghamshire

Shirley, 65 years young. This death sentence is unbearable but we have to endure its cruelty right up to the bitter end. Yorkshire.

Neil, 65, it is vital that the government provides funding to research for a cure to this horrendous disease, Ayrshire.

Ian, 65. Now is the time to act. Glasgow.

Philip, 65. I have MND and life is very difficult. South West.

Suzy, 65, this disease has taken my life away. I am completely paralysed with tubes in my stomach and urethra, a tube in my neck connected to a ventilator to breathe, and almost completely able to communicate in any way via eye gaze technology. This means I'm very close to being imprisoned in my own body. There is no suffering like this disease. I have a husband and three children whose lives have been dominated by my disease for the last 5 years. Surrey.

Kevin, 66, family man with one son, retired builder and former professional footballer.

Vicky, 66, 2 children and 3 beautiful grandchildren aged 9, 7 and 5 with another due in November, former nurse, Lancashire.

Judy, 66, retired librarian and yoga teacher, mother of two adult sons.

Aberdeenshire.

Chris, 66, needs 24 hours care as no movement in body, can still just about talk and eat has peg feed for medication. Andover.

Cyndi, 66, please help us. South East.

Alan, 66, former postal worker. Dad of 4, Granddad of 8 and not ready to give up.

Merseyside.

Mark, 66, I have mnd and slowly being locked my body. Northampton.

Chris, 66, lost the use of my arms and hands and concerned for my future.

Buckinghamshire.

Lenny, 66, husband, father of 3 children and grandad to an 8 year old. London.

Brian, 66. This disease impacts me, my loving and supportive wife and my children and grandchildren. I would not wish it on my worst enemy. East Anglia.

Paul, 66, independent professional man now with no independence. Darlington.

Neil, 66, devastating, debilitating. North Yorkshire.

Joan, 66, former PA and mother to two grown up sons. This disease takes away your future. North West.

Denis, 67, three daughters and 5 grandchildren, retired early as a bricklayer, Kent.

Andy, 67, unable to cycle which I've been doing all my life until 18 months ago, Southampton.

Tom, 67, father & grandfather. Retired principal of Scarborough 6th Form College and leader of Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award group for over 44 years.

Alan, 67, 3 children plus 2 step children, 9 grandchildren, former car salesman, Tonbridge.

Christine 67, mother of 4, grandmother of 5. Worked in education then husbands carer.... Now he's mine!

Hugh, 67, ecologist and long distance walker, now on a ventilator 24/7, confined to a wheelchair and losing the use of my hands, Northumberland.

Pam, 67. This is one of the worst diseases. We need to find a treatment. Now! Wellingborough.

Marsha, 67, I have bulbar MND, Romford.

Judith, 67, Nanna, mum and wife. Much loved and suffering. West Yorkshire.

Yvonne, 67, I've had MND for over 9 years, that's over 3,000 mornings of waking up to face this devastating disease. Wales.

- John, 67, fully wheelchair bound, we need more funding if we are going to ever beat this disease, Doncaster.
- Ian, 67, I am rapidly becoming a burden to my family, myself, and the community.

  Greater London.
- Michael, 67. Retired painter and decorator diagnosed in June 2021. Fighting this disease with every bone in my body to have more time with my family. South Yorkshire.
  - David, 67, father of 4, grandpa of 4, retired Oil Industry Project Manager.

    Aberdeen.
- Marsha, 67. Diagnosed 1 year ago my speech has gone and I'm beginning to fall.

  Romford
- Linda, 67, Hampshire. Midwifery Support Worker, mother, grandmother, great grandmother. Recently diagnosed and scared about saying goodbye.
- Marigold, 67, widowed in January and was soon after diagnosed with MND. She is a mother of 3 and grandmother of 6 and friend to many.
  - Michael, 67. Retired teacher, husband, father and grandfather, and former musician now unable to play. Bedfordshire
    - Geoff, 67. Living with this dreadful disease since 2020. Hertfordshire.
  - Helen, 67. MND took my Aunt and sister. I was diagnosed 16 weeks ago with MND and I'm terrified. South Shields.
  - Sue, 67. Wife to a very caring hubby, Nanny to 2 wonderful girls. Absolutely devastated. South Yorkshire.

#### Peter, 67, West Midlands,

Nigel, 67. Wheelchair bound. Soon to be hoist bound. Scottish Borders.

Jane, 67. We need more funding or we will die. North Ferriby.

Rosemary 67. Devastating debilitating illness. South West.

Val, 67, mother of two children, Granny to twins. Losing my voice so had to resign as a curate. Surrey.

Di, 68, wife, mum, best Grandma to 5 grandchildren, MND has devastated our lives, Carlisle.

Bob, 68, recently retired after a long career in the City, Grandad to 4

Gill, 68, mother and nana. Retired Nurse. North West.

Gaynor, 68, Diagnosed in June, rapid deterioration, breathing and mobility. South Wales.

Kenneth, 68, completely paralysed from neck down, unable to speak or eat/drink since diagnosis 7 months ago. North East.

Frank, 68, the suffering need your help. Kent.

Maryrose, 68, artist and former lecturer, mother of two children. I am desperate for future generations with MND to get the help they need. South East England.

Nick, 68. Fully agree with the need for focused effort to address this cruel disease.

Oxfordshire.

Tony, 68. We can cure this cruel condition, invest now and make it happen. South Yorkshire.

Sally, aged 68. MND has robbed me of the ability to speak; my enjoyment of food and the strength to play the piano, which has broken my heart. Nottinghamshire.

Phil, 68. Diagnosed just over 2 years ago, but fighting very hard and hoping to join trials. East Anglia.

Mary, 69, mother to a son and daughter, and one 3 year old grandson, works for estate agents, Bedfordshire.

Barbara, 69, though still 40 in my head. Mum, Granny who was looking forward to being around for much longer to keep my husband on his toes! Durham.

Sharfudin, 69, had to close my business due to my illness. Middx.

Yash, 69. Very active just over a year ago...now-Weak limbs, wheelchair bound, unclear voice. London.

Liz, 69, We need more funding for research to find a cure for this devastating, debilitating disease! Northumberland.

Carole, 69, All the joy has been taken out of my life. Please help us to feel joy again. Tredegar.

Marian, age 69 diagnosed six years ago. Help is needed to find a cure for his cruel disease, Maldon.

Mary, 69, retired civil servant. North Lanarkshire.

George, 69, 1 daughter and 6 grandchildren that I would love to see grow up.

Tyne and Wear.

Richard, 69, imagine have no voice unable to eat or drink and knowing that life will get more challenging. North Yorkshire.

John, 69, I have lost my independence my dignity and my lovely wife has become my 24/7 carer. West Midlands.

Robert, 69 - Living with MND for 2 1/2 years. London.

Barbara, 69. MND is claiming the lives of too many. Durham.

Alan, 69, You won't worry about it untill it affects you - then it will be too late. Co

Durham.

Ken, 70, my arms are now useless but my brain is still active and aware, stuck in hell and very scared. Wrexham.

Rona, 70, mother and wife retired, East Sussex.

Adrian, 70, married, retired. We need to find a cure. Brighton.

## Ann, 70, I support this, East Sussex.

Jim, 70. What other disease do you walk out of hospital after a diagnosis with no treatment plan? Tayside.

Christine, 70. MND is a terrible disease cancer is also but there is no cure.

Musselburgh.

Barbara, 70, I am amazed at how quickly this awful disease has affected my body.

London.

Moyra, 70, living with MND. Yorkshire.

Colin, 70, I can't walk, talk, transfer from wheelchair and fed through PEG. I used to be a semi-pro footballer. Wiltshire.

Irene, 70. I got a diagnosis a few days ago and as you can imagine I, my family and friends are all devastated. Liverpool.

Sarah, 70. Why do we have so little support here for this devastating disease?

West Yorkshire

Glynis, 70. Devastated by the news & I never got tell my husband before died on 19/8/21. Newark.

Linda, 70, married, mother and grandmother, Norfolk

Brian, 70. MND is debilitating and needs a cure. Scotland.

#### Trevor, 70, Cheshire.

Neil, 71, nurse manager but had to retire early, South Yorkshire.

Kathleen, 71, I am devastated having this disease and there is no hope for a cure.

Hampshire.

Colin, 71, had looked forward to an active retirement with grandchildren and holidays, but who finds life has almost stopped, Norfolk.

My name is Susan, 71, I matter. Birmingham.

Jennifer, 71, this a truly horrible disease, one I would not wish on anyone. I am at the latter end of my life so I plead for those who come after me. Please, please invest more to find a cure. Yate.

Lee, 71. I am doing this in the hope my children, grandchildren and others don't have to suffer what I am right now. Greater Manchester.

Julie, 71, I can now no longer speak, have no mobility, have difficulty breathing and swallowing. Southeast.

Kathleen, 71. Please give us some hope. Hampshire.

Barry, 71. I was diagnosed with MND in July 2020 and so far have lost the use of my arms. Leicestershire.

William, 71. Got diagnosed in first covid lock down. West Yorkshire.

Christine, 71, every day I am getting weaker. Gloucester.

Peter, 72, married, retired, 2 children, 4 grandchildren, Stockport.

Janes, 72, mum to twin girls and nan to 2 grandkids, Surrey.

Nigel, 72, retired A&E NHS nurse, triathlete cyclist now wheelchair and wife dependant.

Rob, 72, married with two children. Retired Airline crew. Bucks.

Elizabeth, 72, I miss my life, this isn't living, it's hell. West Sussex.

Stuart, 72, loving father and amazing Grandadpops. I want to see my wonderful grandchildren grow up!!!! London.

Kathy, 72, mother, wife, grandmother. Midlands.

Jean, 72. MND is robbing me of valuable quality time with my young grandchildren. South East

Patricia, 72. Existing in hell for the past two years with my husband and family broken at trying their best to care for me and my needs. Merseyside.

Cynthia, 72. Make claiming for much needed benefits easier and quicker for those that are diagnosed. Nottinghamshire.

## Richard 72 ex pole fabricator, Lincolnshire.

Liz, 72, as a former PE teacher, being immobilised is especially galling. Angus.

Alex age 72. Action required to advance for a MND cure. Falkirk.

John, 73, husband, father to son and daughter, grandfather to 5 (12-4) who I so want to see grow up, retired solicitor, Surrey.

Hilary, 73, former dressmaker, Mum to 3, Grandma to 8, Great Grandma to 2, Nottinghamshire.

Diana, 73, art historian with 3 children and 7 grandchildren who was happily lecturing and living a full life until my MND diagnosis in February 2020.

Elaine, 73. Let's get the funding to help find a cure. Aberdeenshire.

Kathryn, 73. MND is killing me and many others in a slow insidious way. It must be the worst disease in the world. Highland.

Melvyn, 73, experiencing some muscle weakness which is slowly getting worse.

Portsmouth.

Janice 73. This is a disease that has affected far too many people and needs to be funded to support people. Somerset.

Edwina, 73. Please can you start to fund the MND its been way way to long for this disease to carry on. Ripon.

Michael, 74, father of two and grandfather of four.

Sue, 74, MND abruptly applied the brakes to my career as a motoring journalist, Chislehurst

Ray, 74, I was diagnosed with MND in March this year, East Sussex.

Virginia 74 one daughter, three grandsons, retired overseas development consultant. West Sussex.

Paul, 74, I pray for a cure every day. Yorkshire.

Sue, 74, MND has greatly impacted my and my families lives and support the research initiatives that may one day cure or alleviate this terrible condition.

Dorset.

Hugh 74 Bulbar Motor Neurone Disease. North Yorkshire.

Graham, 75, gradually getting worse no hope of cure as no important funding.

West Sussex.

Jean, 75, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother. Retired teacher! Following in my mothers footsteps. She died with the same condition! Billingham.

Jennifer, 75, living with MND is beyond challenging and available support cannot compensate for everything you lose when you have MND. East Ayrshire.

Brian, 75. Grandfather of 6 and father to 3 boys. Living alone and having to cope with this fast pacing disease. Hullbridge.

Brenda aged 75, retired. Mother to two daughters, grandmother to three grandsons. Holywell.

John, 75. Father and Grandfather, no use of legs and minimal use of arms.

Wrexham.

Julianna, 75 and a widow for 23 years. I live alone and find MND scary because I choke 3 or 4 times a day. Harrow.

Tony, 75. If I had cancer I feel like I'd be in with a fighting chance; but with no treatment or cure due to lack of funding I feel hopeless. Liverpool.

Ian, 75, father of 2, grandfather of 4, great grandfather of 2 - retired policeman still plodding on 18 months after diagnosis. Wales.

Bernice, 76, last summer camping, walking, dancing: now ill, East Anglia.

Brenda, 76. Please please Help for this cruel cruel disease which I was diagnosed with under a year ago. Dorset.

Joan, 76. I have had cancer 3 times over the years, not like living with MND.

Coatbridge.

Philip age 76. It really is time that adequate funding was made available to finding a cure. Derbyshire.

Ann, 76. Please Please help us all who are suffering from this cruel disease.

Midlands.

Janice, 76, it effects my arms and legs mainly and my hands which I am unable to use. West Midlands.

Michael, 76, father of two and grandfather. In just over a year from fully fit and active to unable to talk, eat or support head. Shoreham-by-Sea

Roger, 76, 3 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren. Cambridgeshire.

Susan, 77, wife, mum of 2, grandmother of 1, former parish sacristan and factory supervisor, N Ireland.

Mike, 77, wife, 2 children, 5 grandchildren, Warwickshire UK

Simon, 77, lives with daughter, son in law and grandchildren for physical and moral support, Devon.

Brian 77, MND has been recognised as a neurological disease for 130 years it's time to find a cure, Devon.

Bill, retired aged 77 - was hoping for a longer period of recuperation from decades of Public Service, now denied. Seaford.

Simon, 77, I have MND and am waiting to die! That is ridiculous isn't it? Devon.

#### Bernice, 77. Help. Diss

Ron, 77. Gone from being very active to being house bound, poor swallowing, speech and breathing. More money is needed for trials and research to end this suffering. Ceredigion.

Anne, 77. Wife, Mother, grandmother, this disease has taken my whole life away.

Cumbria.

Doug, 77. Environmental scientist. Retired early from my research institute.

Continue to work - by zoom nowadays as MND has stopped me travelling.

Oxfordshire.

Ann, 78, mother of 4 children 7 grandchildren, carer for my husband, dancer for 40 years, North Norfolk.

# Abbey, 78, Ellerslie

Ray, 78. I was diagnosed with MND in March 2021. So far I have lost most of the strength in my arms and hands, East Sussex.

Chris 78 no longer able to walk, can't eat normal food and can't talk. East
Midlands

Robert, 79, funding must be made available to beat this cruel disease, Glasgow.

Rosemary, 79. It's too late for me but please support more funding to find a cure for this horrific disease. Armagh.

Pauline, 79, It's like being water boarded throughout the day choking in your secretions yet paralysed and relying on others to help you as you can't speak because you have no voice. I'm so scared I cry but have no sound. Lincoln.

## Sheila, 79.

Peter, 79. my symptoms have deteriorated at a faster rate than anticipated.

Cheshire West and Chester.

Margaret, 80. This is a dreadful disease which ruins a family's life - more research is required and finance made available to fund this - thank you. Darlington.

Bruce,83. Grandfather with two children and five grandchildren. Cannot walk or talk, and losing use of hands. London.

Trevor, 84, from fully fit to totally dependent in 5 short years only help from the MND Association. West Sussex.

Sylvia, 85. Diagnosed with MND 3 weeks ago after significant mobility issues. I am now bedbound. Wales.

Gwen, 86. Unable to walk, stand, talk, eat, choking episodes! Conwy.

Eve, 89. Nurse and carer of her son, now being cared for by her husband Tom of a similar age. Hampshire.

Ann, mother of 4 children and 7 grandchildren, former dancer and support worker.

Jean, mother of 2 with grandchild... hoping to see his 21st (not looking likely).

Steve, served 41 years in the army, extremely fit all round sportsman - now totally dependent on me, Shropshire

Siobhan, single Mum, my life is in bits, Belfast.