

# JULIAN S.



*Julian was 21 years old in 2000 when his car crashed into a lamp post and he was ejected through the sunroof and landed face first against the same lamp post.*

*He sustained severe injuries to his skull and facial bones so that he was on the intensive care unit for several days before he was fit to undergo a major operation. His frontal bones, right and left eye sockets, nasal bones, upper jaw and lower jaw were all fractured. The resulting effect was of protrusion of his right eye and a lowering of the level of his left eye.*

*Julian underwent two operations. The first was conducted shortly after his admission when a breathing tube (tracheostomy) was inserted into the lower part of his neck. His lower jaw fractures were repaired and his brain swelling was decompressed. A few days later, through an incision over the top of the head (bi-coronal flap), the scalp was “peeled down” to expose the bones of his skull and face. His eye sockets, nose, eyelids, and upper jaw were reconstructed and replaced in their correct position as were his skull bones. All of these were held together with metal titanium plates. His scalp was replaced at the end of the operation and sutured in place.*