

Tips From Former Smokers Tips 2018/Vignettes

Sharon/"Diagnosed at 37" 1:04

The vignette opens on the title "Diagnosed at 37. A Former Smoker's Story," and cuts to a shot of Sharon sitting in a chair by a table inside her home, speaking to the camera.

SHARON: I was diagnosed at 37.

We see a picture of Sharon as a young mom with her two daughters.

SHARON: I had two children.

The camera cuts back to Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: Made the kid's lunches, took 'em to school. You know, was on the PTA.

We see another picture of Sharon as a young mother, healthy and smiling.

SHARON: I started feeling tired. Then I thought I had swollen glands.

The camera cuts back to Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: Life was going to change for me pretty quick.

We see Sharon entering her backdoor.

SHARON: Went to the doctor and he put me on an antibiotic. Week later I started feeling like, a lump—

The camera cuts back to Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: at the side of my neck. They immediately took an x-ray and said, "That's a tumor".

We then see Sharon in her kitchen, unpacking groceries.

SHARON: They did the biopsy, found out it was cancer, started me on chemo and radiation right away.

The camera cuts back to Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: Since I was so young, they wanted to try to save my voice.

We see Sharon once more in her kitchen, continuing to unpack her groceries.

SHARON: And I was OK for about a year.

The camera cuts back to Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: Then I was brushing my teeth, and—

The vignette cuts back to Sharon in the kitchen, placing items in the refrigerator.

SHARON: I spit up some blood, so went to the doctor and he's like—

The vignette ends with Sharon speaking to the camera.

SHARON: Next step is: we gotta remove the voice box.

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