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## Michael's Story

**"I'm proof that colon cancer screening saves lives."**

Michael Klatman was diagnosed with colon cancer at 52 years old.

Like most people with colon cancer, Michael had absolutely no symptoms.

"I felt fine, and was shocked when my gastroenterologist found a golf ball-sized tumor during the screening," says Michael.

Michael learned the hard way that colon cancer can hit anyone—even when you have no symptoms at all. But he was fortunate. Now two years after the screening, Michael is doing fine.



Colon cancer is the third deadliest cancer, striking 1 in 17. The American Cancer Society recommends having a screening colonoscopy by age 50.

According to Michael, "Having colon cancer brought home the importance of getting screened."

[Learn more about colon cancer screening](#)

