

CLIENT: Dr Sarah Burton-Taylor

SOLUTION PROVIDER: Theraposture

REQUIREMENT: Full profiling bed for assistance with MS

PRODUCT: The Rotoflex



CASE STUDY 02

The Rotoflex

Revolutionary Rotoflex rotating bed delivers independence at home to high-flying business director with severe MS

Dr Sarah Burton-Taylor from Chittoe near Chippenham is a remarkable individual who despite living with Multiple Sclerosis and subsequent restricted mobility, has been able to remain independent and continue her highly successful business thanks to an innovative Rotoflex bed supplied by Westbury's Theraposture.

Sarah has lived with MS for around 30 years, however it wasn't until three years ago that her condition suddenly deteriorated and her physical capabilities were drastically reduced. Her education and career to date is very impressive which includes establishing both Teamwork Consulting Group in 1988 and the Web Usability Partnership in 2002.

The Summer of 2008 was an extremely difficult time for Sarah, her husband and their two teenage daughters as she explains: "My MS had progressed slowly before 2008 with only a need for me to use walking sticks to remain mobile. However three years ago I felt like I had 'fallen off a cliff' with my condition and we had to begin researching all the options to stabilise my health and adapt our beloved home so it was a practical environment for me to live in. As we have been fortunate to own a beautiful converted old church for over 20 years I was desperate to remain at home. However my husband sometimes works away and my two daughters are studying at University, hence there were going to be times that I could be left alone and would not have any assistance."



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Sarah continues: "We were concerned that I would have to sleep separately from my husband because of my deteriorating condition, and we thought that a hospital type bed would look so out of place in our home. My husband is such a practical man and thanks to his thorough investigations we discovered the Theraposture Rotoflex whilst reading MS Matters. We travelled to Theraposture's premises in Westbury and met with the Managing Director David Holtum and the Sales Director Liam Braddell who could not have been more helpful. They explained to us the unique benefits of the Rotoflex, which would provide specialist support for me and help me remain in my home without expensive relocation or care costs.

We selected a handcrafted oak frame and matching bedside furniture that perfectly suited our home interior and following a full assessment and professional installation, we were the proud

owners of a revolutionary rotating and profiling bed! This marvellous bespoke solution helps me to a sitting position in the morning when my body is unfortunately very stiff and hence I am then able to transfer more easily into my wheelchair ready to go to work. Without its smooth profiling action I would not be able to sit up in bed or move to a standing position aided by the handy grab rails. As our Rotoflex double bed encompasses two separate profiling mattresses I can independently adjust my position at night without disturbing Peter, which is so fantastic. When it comes to fulfilling your career, you can not underestimate the importance of a good night's sleep and I am so pleased I can still share a bed with my husband."

Featured by The Daily Mail, The Rotoflex bed from Theraposture is a unique solution to an everyday problem – getting legs into and out of bed.



Dr Sarah Burton-Taylor, a highly successful business woman with MS, who has been able to continue living in her beloved converted-Church home thanks to a revolutionary Rotoflex bed from Theraposture.

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This is achieved by a unique rotational action that sequentially transfers the user from a sitting to a sleeping position with the touch of just one button. In many cases, the Rotoflex truly delivers independence, as it is a real alternative to hoisting and carer assistance. In this situation the bed can pay for itself many times over as the cost of care in the home or in a residential establishment is so high.

The Rotoflex can be made to rotate to either side of the bed to ensure that it is compatible with any room situation. In addition to the unique rotation, the Rotoflex also has a profiling and variable height function with the latter helping to achieve a standing transfer if needed. It is available as a single or as part of a double combination and perfectly suits any domestic home environment.

The Rotoflex bed has simply changed Sarah's life. She concludes: "Being able to remain in our beautiful family home whilst living with MS has been so important to all of us. The unique Rotoflex and the after-sales care from Theraposture have helped towards making this a reality. I can now look forward to growing my business further, continuing to enjoy my lifestyle at home and benefiting from more independence, which means my daughters and husband can continue living their lives without compromise."

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