

shall i tell you what i think are the two qualities of a work of art?
first, it must be indescribable, and second, it must be inimitable.

-renoir

Dear Sam,

I wanted to formally thank you in writing, so that one day if you have a patient as nervous as I was about all the procedures, you can show them this letter and put their mind completely at ease.

You are not only a perfectionist and master artist at your profession as a plastic surgeon, but you were the epitome of calmness and friendship before, during and after the surgery. You were there 24/7, not only for me but for Phil as well.

A few weeks ago before we went out for dinner and as I was coming down the stairs, Phil said "Wow - you look gorgeous"! That's not unusual for him to compliment me. However, it has been at least 15 years since I've heard it said with such true passion in his voice. Not bad after 34 years!

So - once again Sam, thank you for restoring that good old confident feeling of enjoying the sheer joy of just looking in the mirror.

James Grass