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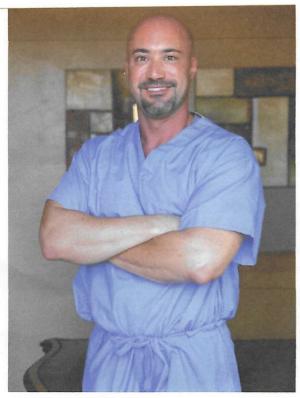
How a Childhood Accident Shaped a Surgeon's Future

Growing up as children, we have dreams for our future. Some want to be a fireman, doctor or chef. Others have their sights set on a professional sporting career or the entertainment industry. But sometimes the traumatizing events we face throughout our lifetime transcend mere childhood dreams. This is a story about a fateful accident and the painful journey that ensued. One that motivated a young boy to pay it forward to help others feel happy, strong and confident in their own skin.

As a child, Dr. Ryan E. Mitchell, proprietor of Contours and Curves/Mitchell Plastic Surgery, was attacked by a Doberman Pinscher. He sustained extensive injuries to his face that, following the initial acute care he received at the hospital, required multiple surgeries with a plastic surgeon to repair the devastating scars to his face. It took months to recover, but Ryan felt fortunate to have doctors that took the time to comfort him, both physically and mentally, during treatment. Their skilled procedures and friendly reassurance provided him the hope he needed to get through this experience without the insecurities and self-consciousness that living with significant scars could have entailed.

Motivated by this experience, Dr. Mitchell became a board-certified facial plastic surgeon, and is a fellow of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery. His practice, Contours and Curves/ Mitchell Plastic Surgery is dedicated to helping all patients achieve an appearance that is both beautiful and natural, whether it's through surgery or minimally-invasive procedures. He has built a reputation throughout the Las Vegas Valley as a very compassionate doctor dedicated to providing the safest and most advanced techniques available. Bringing his artistry and expertise to the practice of plastic and reconstructive surgery, Dr. Mitchell is proud to help both women and men appear more youthful and feel happier and confident.

But Dr. Mitchell does more than bolster people's self-esteem, he continues to help those with the kind of scarring and disfigurement he himself faced as a child. One such case involved Dr. Mitchell's office being contacted by the family of a young child who had been mauled by dogs. The child sustained psychological impairment and physical injuries to the face, scalp and ear, and due to extreme bullying



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and cruelty at school, had become very withdrawn. Without hesitation, Dr. Mitchell agreed to see the child and see what could be done. He readily agreed to treat at no charge for the injuries to the face and ear while arranging for help from other doctors to assist with the scalp injuries.

Because of their shared experiences, a bond grew between the doctor and child, with Dr. Mitchell occasionally inviting the family over to enjoy barbecues and swimming with his own two children. As time went on, he was able to make the child smile and laugh and just be a kid again. Although the child has many years of difficult surgeries ahead, Dr. Mitchell is committed to being there for this long process, giving this child the same confidence and hope he himself was given during his own crisis.

At Contours and Curves/Mitchell Plastic Surgery, we understand that the decision to enhance your own natural beauty is something not to be taken lightly. With Dr. Mitchell's knowledge, talent and compassionate desire to help you feel confident and happy in your own skin, you will receive a refreshed look with a very natural outcome at an excellent value. Our goal is to provide you with all the information and support you need to achieve the most positive outcome possible, while in a comfortable environment. To schedule a complimentary consultation, call (702) 376-3095.