Chester Fike
Born Feb. 3, 1952
Died Dec. 18, 2012
A victim of black lung, Chester died four months after undergoing a double lung transplant.

It is time to end this preventable disease

76,000 deaths since 1968
$45 billion spent in federal compensation
New cases being diagnosed, including in young miners

A new rule issued by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Mine Safety and Health Administration will greatly improve the protection of America’s coal miners from this debilitating disease. The rule is the centerpiece of MSHA’s initiative to End Black Lung – Act Now! To learn more, visit www.msha.gov/endblacklung.