

TITLE: BALDY

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LOGLINE:

A popular high school girl is diagnosed with cancer and is forced to share a hospital room with a belittling man, who surprisingly becomes her strength and best friend.

SYNOPSIS

LIZ WILLIAMS is a very popular high school senior. Her Dad is a Police Officer and her Mom is an executive in a large company. Liz and her longtime friends have been playing school sports since childhood.

After a soccer game Liz complains of chest pains. She is soon diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. Treatment is needed immediately. After being in the hospital for a few days, she receives an unexpected older roommate.

THOMAS REED, a local billionaire, needs treatment. There is no other place for him, so Liz must share her room. Liz struggles with adjusting to his belittling attitude. Her parents also take offense to Reed's presence.

Liz's parents RICHARD and DENISE take turns staying with her when possible. Even her friends visit her a few times. Liz argues with staff members at times because she is afraid of some tests. Thomas is bullying and non-supportive.

Thomas works from his hospital bed. He too struggles with certain tests. Liz catches him in his weaker moments. Liz tries to go out of her way to help Thomas, and sometimes it appears to work.

Thomas has a run-in with Liz's friends. Teenage-girl speech and culture clashes with Thomas's views. Liz's friend NIKITA dies in an automobile accident. Liz is never told this while she is in the hospital.

Liz's Mom struggles deeply with Nikita's death. Denise also has issues with her marriage. Liz apologizes to her Dad for being ill and causing problems. Denise also learns she works for Thomas.

The struggles mount between families and staff. Thomas wakes one morning to use the restroom and finds Liz has died. He calls her folks at home. When Denise realizes who is on the other end of the call, she knows her baby is dead.

Thomas attends the funeral, speaking highly of Liz.