## "It affects the way you think, it affects the way you feel..."

-Steve Lappen, Writer

Real Men. Real Depression.

"It just simply invades every pore of your skin. It's a blanket that covers everything. The act of pretending to be well was so exhausting. All I could do was shut down. At times you just say, 'It's enough already." Depression is a real disease that can be successfully treated. For information, call 1-866-227-6464, visit www.nimh.nih.gov, or contact your health care provider.

It takes courage to ask for help. Steve did.



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