

GARRISON'S Prosthetic Services

RESTORING BALANCE



RENEWING HOPE



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THE DEFINITION OF BALANCE

Garrison's Prosthetic Services offers you more than just high-quality, expertly-fitted prostheses and incomparable customer service. We restore you to a state of physical stability that benefits all aspects of your life. When you have a prosthetic device which is the perfect combination of form, fit and function, you can move forward with renewed confidence and hope for the future. And that's the very definition of balance.

Whether you're young or old, a new amputee or someone who has been an amputee for many years, we treat you in a holistic manner as an individual – not just as someone with a disability. With two locations – in North Miami Beach and Pompano Beach – our practice has the experienced staff to deal with any challenge, designing, fabricating and fitting your prosthesis on-site with the latest innovations and extraordinary attention to detail.

OFFERING A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE

From your first contact through all follow-up appointments, you receive the complete attention of Kevin S. Garrison, owner of Garrison's Prosthetic Services. A certified and licensed prosthetist and author, Kevin is also an amputee, a circumstance that gives him a unique insight into his clients' needs. He and his wife Catheline, an occupational therapist and attorney, have devoted themselves to the rehabilitation of disabled persons for more than thirty years.

Kevin's approach to his work is summed up in the title of a presentation he delivers on professional ethics: "How Do You

Sleep at Night?" He's met many people over the years with ill-fitting or poorly designed prostheses that are encumbrances to them, limiting both their mobility and their possibilities. That's why he has made it his mission to design and produce supremely comfortable devices which give his clients the highest level of functioning possible.

TELL YOUR DOCTOR

Kevin, Catheline, and our staff are eager to contribute to your care. Please tell your doctor about our practice and give us a call, so we can help you feel whole again and restore balance to your life. It's the best move you'll ever make.

Garrison's Prosthetic Services is an accredited facility certified by the American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics.

GARRISON'S PROSTHETIC SERVICES MISSION STATEMENT

Through a unique combination of personal experience, unwavering dedication to our profession, and incomparable customer service, to restore clients to their highest level of independence by providing expertly fitted, highly creative prosthetics.

GARRISON'S PROSTHETIC SERVICES VISION STATEMENT

To be the area leader in prosthetic services, achieving a gold standard of compassionate care while ensuring the best fabrication, fit and function through evidence-based practice.



A BALANCE OF TECHNOLOGY, TOUCH & TALENT

Garrison's Prosthetic Services has produced all types of custom prosthetics in the South Florida area for over thirty years. Our practice features a full range of products and services, including the most sophisticated electronic arms and legs built with today's ultra-lightweight technology. We take pride in providing aesthetically pleasing cosmetic restorations for the finger, hand, arm and foot.

Unlike some other firms, our facility – which includes a full prosthetic lab – can quickly finish custom work because we do all the fabrication ourselves using state-of-the-art technology. Our clients enjoy the intimate size and personalized nature of our practice, where you interact directly with the owner, Kevin S. Garrison, and our supportive staff as we focus on your comfort and care.

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n. Physical, mental,
emotional steadiness
or stability.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR PRACTICE

- Owner Kevin S. Garrison will be making your prosthesis and is available to you every step of the way – an amputee helping fellow amputees.
- Perception vs. reality: the difference is in our prosthetics. We put the extra time and consideration into all our products to make the cosmetic perception as close to perfection as possible, while maintaining the reality of comfort.
- Using today's technology, we can provide lightweight yet strong appliances.

- Follow-up care is an essential part of our professional practice, allowing us to prevent most common problems with our clients. Visiting clients at their homes is sometimes necessary, and is part of our routine care.
- We offer a full range of custom myoelectric prosthetics for all levels of upper extremity amputation, including complex bilateral cases. Proportional control products allow us to provide electronic elbows, wrists and hands which have the highest level of acceptance for these upper extremity devices.
- We also have electronic microprocessor-controlled knees for our lower extremity clients, offering improved safety through a new form of electronic weight-bearing control of the prosthetic knee joint.
- To make your rehabilitative process run as smoothly as possible, we're available outside office hours on an emergency basis, have a 24-hour answering service and can accommodate special appointments.



STAFF & LOCATIONS

EMBRACING YOUR POSSIBILITIES

The story of Garrison's Prosthetic Services is really the story of owner Kevin S. Garrison, a man who has spent his life building a family, a business, and the trust of his clients. He became interested in the field of prosthetics at the age of seventeen, when he lost a foot due to osteosarcoma. After attending Northwestern University and UCLA, where he obtained his formal prosthetic education, Kevin became a certified prosthetist in 1979.

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n. To make complete
or perfect.**

Along with his wife Catheline, an occupational therapist and attorney, Kevin has a small but dedicated staff. Working with him for several years is office manager Ana Noboa, your first point of contact at Garrison's who handles insurance claims, scheduling, transportation, billing, and more with competence and compassion. Ana is a master problem-solver, and is dedicated to making the process of getting your new prosthesis a pleasure from start to finish.

Senior prosthetic lab technician Carlos Aviles has a long tenure with Garrison's and assists Kevin with all the detailed work that goes into fabricating a top-of-the-line prosthesis, including casting, fitting, alignment, and cosmetic finishing. Carlos is one of the main reasons you can be confident your device will be created properly, in a timely manner, and adjusted accurately until it feels like an integral part of you.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Garrison's has two locations in the South Florida area:

North Miami Beach

17184 NE 19th Ave.

North Miami Beach, FL 33162

Ph: 305.949.1888

Fax: 305.949.5546

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

8:30am – 5:00pm

Toll Free: 888.333.8770

Our North Miami Beach office is located just a few minutes east and then south from the Miami Gardens Drive exit off I-95.



Pompano Beach

1531 E. Atlantic Blvd.

Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Ph: 954.960.8747

Hours: Wednesday 8:30am – 5:00pm

Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm

Toll Free: 888.333.8770

Our Pompano Beach office is just a few minutes east from the Atlantic Blvd. exit off I-95.

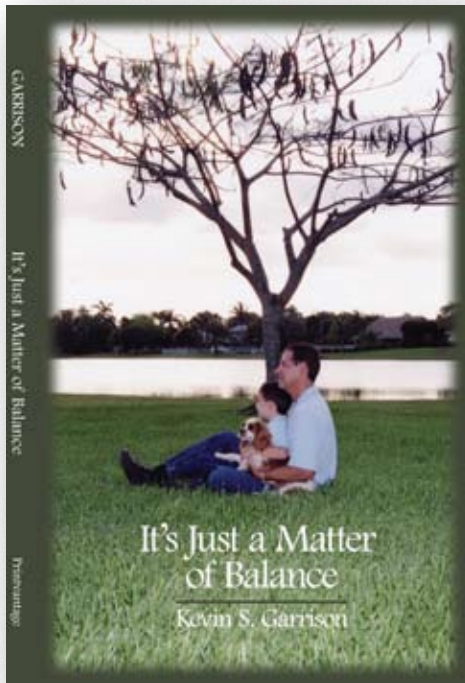


FROM TRAGEDY TO TRIUMPH

In addition to being a respected prosthetist, successful business owner, lecturer, husband and father of five, Kevin S. Garrison is the author of an inspirational book, *It's Just a Matter of Balance*. It chronicles his journey to learn to love life and all it has to offer, despite being diagnosed with osteosarcoma and losing a foot to the disease when he was seventeen.

After the initial heartbreak and a lot of soul searching, Kevin returned to a normal teenage life doing typical things such as playing sports, dating and working on cars. That pragmatic approach was the same one he used when

confronted with future obstacles -- just the first step of many as he learned to achieve balance in his life. Most importantly, the artificial limb he received following the amputation sparked an interest in the field of prosthetics that would lead to a distinguished career spanning more than thirty-seven years.



A STORY OF SURVIVAL

"This is my true story," Kevin writes in the book, "my story of survival...of a catastrophe that occurred in my blameless ...youth. I never saw it coming, and even when I did, I had absolutely no way to prepare for it or deal with it. My past demonstrates a kind of power of self determination that was necessary for me to carry on and get through my life just the way that I wanted to. I sought very much to live as normal a life as humanly

possible...to just simply fit in and do well. This resolve

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A state of equilibrium.**

enabled me to endure the terrible suffering that I was forced into and yet still become a successful man in spite of it."

It's Just a Matter of Balance is listed on the website of Heather Mills McCartney, who is also an amputee. "Living proof that overcoming adversity can lead to greater things for yourself and those around you. An inspirational book whenever you're feeling sorry for yourself," wrote Ms. McCartney in comments provided for Kevin's website.

Available on Amazon.com, your neighborhood book store, or directly from the author through his website, www.GarrisonsProsthetics.com, **the book is recommended reading by the American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists** and a new developing part of the curriculum in a number of universities and high schools. Part of the proceeds from the sale of *It's Just a Matter of Balance* are donated to the Barr Foundation, a nonprofit organization that supplies prosthetic limbs to amputees in need.



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