Lives & Legacies of People With Intellectual Disability

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“I am the same as you. I got a name, and I want you all to call me by my name.”

--Ollie Webb (1928-2003)
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--Lisa: “I vote, pay taxes, and speak out on issues . . . I think people will remember me as a happy caring person, kind.”

--Mark: “. . . In his mind he was a great dancer. He knew he didn’t have John Travolta moves . . . but he had moves. With necessary adaptations.”
Like Other People

--We Are All Human
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Growth, relationships, and a rich life in the community are the hallmarks of a new morality, the foundation for living well and dying well, and the basis for a legacy of respect and dignity.