

Maragh, Rajiv: Born: July 9, 1985. From: Jamaica.

Originally from Jamaica, his family moved to Florida when Rajiv was 13. His father, Collin, was a jockey in Jamaica and later became a trainer in Florida. Wife: Angelina (Angie).

Out with a broken arm (from a spill) from Sept. 27, 2014 to mid-January, 2015 (nearly 3 months).

He returned to riding briefly and then suffered compressed and broken vertebra (fractured his T4, 5, 6, and 8 vertebrae), broken ribs and a punctured and collapsed lung in a racing accident on July 10, 2015 at Belmont Park. He was away from racing again, this time for nearly 16 months. He returned to racing on Oct. 30, 2016 at Belmont Park. Maragh, "I was immobile and in excruciating pain every day. I couldn't do anything, really. I couldn't bend, lift, twist. It took me about four months to be able to put my own socks on. I was walking with a cane. I couldn't drive myself anywhere. It wasn't about riding at that point. I was just trying to get to a state of well-being and that took a long, long time."

"It's really exciting to be back," said Maragh, "I got over a big hump, it was a long process to get healthy. I'm very fortunate to get to ride again. I went through a tough stint with the injury and rehabilitation and everything; it's been a long journey."

"It's been a roller coaster the last few years, lots of ups and downs," he said. "I would say this would be the lowest point in my career, to be so severely injured and it was such a tough task to get back to riding again. And now that I'm back to riding, it feels like I'm starting from scratch, business-wise. All the horses I was riding are pretty much retired. So I have to start over..."

Maragh shifted his tack to the west coast and Santa Anita Park for the 2017/18 winter meet. Shifted his tack to South Florida in 2019.

Family: Wife: Angela