Simon worked hard. Work was his entire life. He loved it, was good at it, was widely respected. He did not mind he had no partner, no family. What he did mind was being asleep. He could not work while asleep. He lost time–and resented that.

As he aged, his body asked for more sleep but Simon never listened. By the time he hit 75, however, his body needed rest he could not deny. Yet at his age he wanted to be conscious as much as possible. He refused to fade out. Simon's solution was a computer chip in his brain.

Implanted, Simon got into bed and quickly fell asleep. The plan? He would sleep yet be awake. As he slept, Simon planned the next day, wrote an important report and, while on the computer, posted his profile on a dating site. Simon was more productive asleep.

He changed to working from home and slept as much as possible. It did not matter he no longer communicated directly with people. Eventually, Simon was never awake. His body got its rest and he lived longer. He could sleepwalk through life, and did, continuing to work until he quietly passed away (in his sleep.)

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