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Warrior Weekend To Remember

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Blue Skies For The Good Guys & Gals Warrior Foundation Mission:
To honor our Combat Injured Purple Heart Warriors and Fallen Hero Gold Star Families by providing fun, bonding, enriching and life changing experiences that facilitate new friendships and emotional healing.



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Open letter from the Blue Skies Founders

For a moment, consider the most meaningful gifts you have received in your life. They likely involved a great deal of personal thought, planning and care. The unselfish and thoughtful nature of these gifts make them unforgettable. The Team Fastrax™ Warrior Weekend to Remember (TFX WWTR), is a gift that surrounds our nation's heroes with unconditional love, bonding, healing and life enriching experiences. The gift is planned over the course of a year, executed by literally hundreds of volunteers, and funded by countless sponsors and donors.

The recipients of the gift of TFX WWTR are all men and women who are Combat Injured/Purple Heart recipients or Fallen Military/Gold Star families who have lost their loved one in the service of our country. A more deserving group would be hard to find. Every year a select group of Purple Heart and Gold Star Alumni are invited back as ambassadors to help accelerate the bonding and healing for the first time/new honored guests. As the saying goes, we receive by giving, and the fact is, the ambassadors, volunteers and sponsors form many meaningful relationships with the honored warriors themselves by providing this gift. The formula is simple, the success is undeniable.

Because of the amazing support of our sponsors, donors and volunteers, we are able to cover all related travel, lodging and meals. Bottom-line, we pay for 100% of everything the warriors enjoy via our Blue Skies for Good Guys and Gals Warrior Foundation 501c3. This large, complex, 100% volunteer effort enjoys the collaboration and support of many professional associations, clubs and community leaders. Some of the TFX WWTR experience is open to the public and some is private for the sponsors and warriors.

If you are a volunteer, sponsor, or the general public, find a way to engage the warriors directly somewhere over the course of the weekend. If you are one of the honored Purple Hearts and Gold Stars, kick back, relax and enjoy the experience. Know that you are surrounded by unconditional love and respect. This is a safe place where you can drop your guard, have fun, bond, heal and most importantly, leave with a new network of deep friendships that you can carry with you for the rest of your life.

God Bless America!

David & John Hart, Founders, Blue Skies for Good Guys and Gals Warrior Foundation



The TFX WWTR includes:

- Half day Multi-Gun Shoot led by the selfless volunteers of the Miamisburg Sportsmen's Club.
- Hot Rod Happy Hour and Convoy to a Private VIP Concert with DV8 at the Horsepower Ranch, pig roast and monster truck rides.
- Night bow fishing every night at Caesar Creek State Park (Thank You Ohio Department of Natural Resources) in the Blue Skies Fan Boat. Super Cool Corvette engine included. Sponsored by Cabela's.
- Skydiving with Team Fastrax™ and rides in nine aircraft, including: WW II bomber and fighter, biplane, Vietnam Era UH1H Huey, stunt planes, hot air balloons.
- VIP Capstone Dinner where warriors are honored by sponsors and community leaders.
- Patriotic convoy escorts provided by the Ohio State Highway Patrol and the US Veterans Motorcycle Club and American Legion Riders.
- Churches spiritually adopt warriors, write letters of encouragement and pray for them to have a healing weekend.

Events Open To The Public:

- 20 July 2017: Dayton Dragons Game: The general public can purchase game tickets through the normal Dayton Dragons Ticket Office. Details: DaytonDragons.com. Sponsored by Quantrum.
- 21 July 2017: Austin Landing Hot Rod Happy Hour (5:00-6:00) and Family Movie Night, Open to night. Details: AustinLanding.com
- 22 July 2017: Bill Wilch Memorial 5k Run/Walk at Smith Park, Middletown. Details: WarriorWTR.com
- 22 July 2017: Stage Ceremony to honor each warrior in front of tens of thousands of people at the Ohio Challenge Hot Air Balloon Festival in Middletown. Details available at: OhioChallenge.com



Our Warriors

Alumni Ambassador Gold Star/Fallen Military Families

Alumni Gold Star/Fallen Military Families that have decided to return and be part of the planning to gift this weekend and help accelerate the healing for the New Honored Gold Star Families.

SFC Ofren "AC" Arrechaga, USMC - Cincinnati, OH - KIA March 29 2011
SPC Donald S. Morrison, USA - Cincinnati, OH - KIA 26 September 2010
LCpl Taylor B. Prazynski, USMC - Fairfield, OH - KIA 9 May 2005
1LT Justin S. Smith, USA - Kenly, NC - KIA 7 November 2005
LCpl William "Billy" David Spencer, USMC - Cincinnati, OH - KIA 28 December 2006
SSgt Mark A. "Tony" Wojciechowski, USMC - Cincinnati, OH - KIA 30 April 2009
Cpl Paul W. "Rocky" Zanowick, USMC - Miamisburg, OH - KIA 3 June 2011



Honored Gold Star/Fallen Military Families

Gold Star Families participating in the Weekend to Remember for the first time.

CPT George "Jordy" Alsfelder, USA - Cincinnati, OH - Died 8 May 2016
SFC Jack B. Beers, USA - Beavercreek, OH - KIA 7 April 1969
SSG Bryan A. Burgess, USA - Fort Worth, TX - KIA 29 March 2011
LCpl Alec E. Catherwood, USMC - Springville, TN - KIA 14 October 2010
CWO3 James E. Groves, USA - Kettering, OH - KIA 16 March 2013
Maj Elizabeth Kealey, USMC - Salisbury, NC - Pilot Training Accident 23 January 2015
SGT David J. Luff Jr., USA - Cincinnati, OH - KIA 21 November 2010
LCpl Kevin A. "Adam" Lucas, USMC - Greensboro, NC - KIA 26 May 2006
SGT Anthony R. Maddox, USA - Bloomington, IL - KIA 7 July 2013
SGT Gary L. McKiddy, USA - Miamisburg, OH - Silver Star, KIA 6 May 1970
SGT Luther W. Rabon, USNG - Pelion, SC - KIA 1 October 2010
PFC Enrique C. "Henry" Sanchez, USMC - Westfield, NC - KIA 27 July 2006
SSGT Wesley R. Williams, USA - New Carlisle, OH - KIA 10 December 2012



Alumni Ambassador Purple Hearts/Combat Injured Warriors *Alumni Purple Hearts/Combat Injured Warriors that have decided to return and be part of the planning to gift this weekend and help accelerate the healing for the New Honored Purple Hearts/Combat Injured Warriors.*

CSM Bennie Adkins, USA - Opelika, AL - Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Bronze Star (2) Cluster and "V" Device, Purple Heart (3), Special Forces, Vietnam
Col John Bates, USMC - Kailua, HI - Purple Heart (3), Vietnam
GySgt Sam Deeds, USMC - Independence, KY - Purple Heart (2)
Sgt Daniel Erlandson, USMC - Huber Heights, OH - Purple Heart
SSG Shilo Harris, USA - San Antonio, TX - Purple Heart
SPC Halsey Hinson, USA - West Columbia, SC - Purple Heart
Cpl Joshua Hoffman, USMC - Springboro, OH - Purple Heart
Lt Col Kevin Lombardo, USAF - Colorado Springs, CO - Combat Veteran
Cpl John MacNaughton, USMC - Boston, MA - Purple Heart
MSgt Adam McLeod, USAF - Madison, VA - Purple Heart, Bronze Star
Cpl Ryan Meadows, USMC - South Charleston, WV - Purple Heart
Maj Tim O'Sullivan, USAF - Dayton, OH - Purple Heart, Bronze Star
SGT Matthew Pennington, USA - ME - Purple Heart
CPT Alec Ross, USA - Nashville, TN - Purple Heart, Combat Jump
SSgt Zachary Ruttman, USAF - Collinsville, OK - Purple Heart
1LT Daniel Sack, USA - Middletown, OH - Purple Heart, Vietnam
LCpl Nick Siewert, USMC - Defiance, OH - Purple Heart
SSG Joel Tavera, USA - Tampa, FL - Purple Heart
Sgt Steve Thompson, USMC - Goshen, OH - Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon
SMSgt Kevin Wallace, USAF - Alexandria, VA - Purple Heart, MSM (2)



Honored Purple Hearts/Combat Injured Warriors

Purple Hearts/Combat Injured Warriors who are experiencing the Weekend to Remember for the first time.

MSgt Daniel Blevins, USAF - Pensacola, FL - Purple Heart, Bronze Star
SSG Paul Brondhaver, USA - Cincinnati, OH - Purple Heart, Bronze Star with Valor
Sgt LaFayette Bronston, USMC - Middletown, OH - Purple Heart, Silver Star, Bronze Star with Valor
MAJ Vincent Cerchione, USA - Springfield, VA - Combat Injured, Bronze Star (2)
SGT Spencer Davis, USA - Bellefontaine, OH - Purple Heart
CPL Sue Downes, USA - Tazewell, TN - Purple Heart (2) Bronze Star
SSG Travis Dunn, USA - Savannah, GA - Purple Heart (2) Bronze Star w/ Valor
Capt John Fleegel, USMC - Savannah, GA - Purple Heart
SSG Troy Green, USANG - Cameron, MO - Purple Heart
SPC Daniel Guerin, USA - Bethel, OH - Purple Heart
Cpl Rory Hamill, USMC - Defiance, OH - Purple Heart
SCPO James Hatch, USN - Norfolk, VA - Purple Heart, Bronze Star (4)
SSgt Matt Koetting, USMC - Las Vegas, NV - Purple Heart
SPC John Looker, USA - Mason, OH - Purple Heart, Vietnam
SGT Ryan Mack, USA - Defiance, OH - Purple Heart
SGT Jim Miller, USA - Dayton, OH - Purple Heart, Vietnam
MSgt Angela Morales-Biggs, USAF - Springfield, VA - Purple Heart
SSgt James Ownbey, USMC - Hedgesville, WV - Purple Heart, Bronze Star with Valor
SPC Marissa Strock, USA - West Bloomfield, MI - Purple Heart
Sgt Ingrid Underwood, USMC - Middleburg, FL - Purple Heart
LCpl Bob VanKuiken, USMC - Dayton, OH - Purple Heart, Vietnam



Sponsors

The TFX WWTR would not be possible without our many generous sponsors, donors, supporters, volunteers and fundraisers. The Blue Skies for the Good Guys and Gals 501c3 is proud of our enormous volunteer base. It's comprised mostly by the employees of corporations, members of clubs and volunteers of other veteran focused non-profits. All of whom 100% buy into the life changing outcomes we seek for our honored combat injured warriors and fallen hero families. There are none to our knowledge that do it for any sort of marketing benefit or recognition. Having stated that, we are proud to take this moment to acknowledge them here. THANK YOU!

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Public Events: Attend any of the TFX WWTR events that are open to the public.

T-Shirts: Purchase a T-Shirt. All of the last names printed in the US Flag on this T-shirt represent a Combat Injured Purple Heart or Gold Star Family that has attended the Team Fastrax™ Warrior Weekend to Remember. The rifle with the helmet and boots represents US Army PFC Bill Wilch, First Wave, Omaha Beach, D-Day, 2 Purple Hearts. Bill lived to be 92 years old and was a great patriot and friend of Team Fastrax™.

Silent Auction: Many amazing and patriotic items are available with direct ties to our honored warriors. All packages include cool stuff from Team Fastrax™, including a Tandem Skydive. Bids are accepted online.

Prayer Warriors: Churches spiritually adopt a warrior, pray for them to have a healing weekend, write letters of encouragement and mail a care package.

Volunteer: The vast majority of our hundreds of volunteers come from the corporate sponsors, clubs and associations that are fully engaged with Blue Skies and TFX WWTR. However, we are always happy to fold in more people to touch the event and welcome your inquires via our website.

Save the Date: The 2018 Team Fastrax™ Warrior Weekend to Remember will be held in July. The dates will align with the 2018 Ohio Challenge Hot Air Balloon Festival, which is typically held the second or third weekend of July. The official date will be posted on our website when it is finalized.

