

Wounded Warrior Project Takes Veterans on Houston Memorial Tour

HOUSTON, Nov. 18, 2016 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) took a group of warriors and their families to pay tribute to the fallen on Veterans Day. The gathering provides an opportunity for veterans to not only reflect on their brothers and sisters who made the ultimate sacrifice but also forge friendships with other warriors who have shared experiences.

In a WWP survey of the injured warriors it serves, more than half of survey respondents (51.7 percent) talked with fellow Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn veterans to address their mental health issues.

The Fallen Warriors Memorial pays homage to service members from Texas who gave their lives in Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn. The names of more than 600 warriors are listed on stone blocks in a quiet park in northwest Houston.

Last Friday, veterans walked among the names with Cheryl Whitfield, whose efforts made the memorial possible. Warriors laid flowers at the center of the monument, below a map of the combat zones in Iraq and Afghanistan, next to the words "The fallen, but not forgotten."

"I've lived here 12 years and never knew this memorial was here," said Army veteran Jason Denham. "I told all the veterans I know how beautiful it is and how they should come see it."

The Texas memorial is designed similarly to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial; you can take a memory of fallen service members with you.

"I helped another warrior make a rubbing of a family member's name off the memorial," Jason said. Rubbing a pencil on paper over the name on the monument created a keepsake from the day.

Outings like this empower Jason and others to embody the WWP logo, becoming the warrior who carries another veteran in need.

To see pictures from the memorial visit, go to <http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/> and click on multimedia, then images. You can also learn about the impact WWP's free programs and services have on wounded warriors.


About Wounded Warrior Project We Connect, Serve, and Empower

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP connects wounded warriors and their families to valuable resources and one another, serves them through a variety of free programs and services, and empowers them to live life on their own terms. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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