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Soldier accused of lying about Vietnam Purple Hearts, Afghanistan attack

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LOS ANGELES - A U.S. Army soldier who prosecutors say falsely claimed to have fought in Vietnam and Afghanistan - and to have earned two Purple Heart medals and a Bronze Star for heroism - was indicted on federal charges on Wednesday, the 68th anniversary of D-Day.

Command Sergeant Major William John Roy is accused of lying about his service as he sought disability, medical and educational benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, U.S. Attorney's spokesman Thom Mrozek said.

Roy, 57, was awarded more than \$27,000 in disability benefits and \$30,000 in educational benefits after submitting bogus evidence of his combat wounds and bravery in action, Mrozek said.

He faces a maximum sentence of 55 years in prison if convicted at trial.



According to an indictment handed down in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles, Roy claimed he served as a medic in Vietnam in 1974 and was twice injured in combat during that war.

Roy also claimed that he was awarded two Purple Hearts and a Bronze star for his heroism in Vietnam -- when in fact an investigation found that he had been in Germany serving in a non-combat role at the time, Mrozek said.



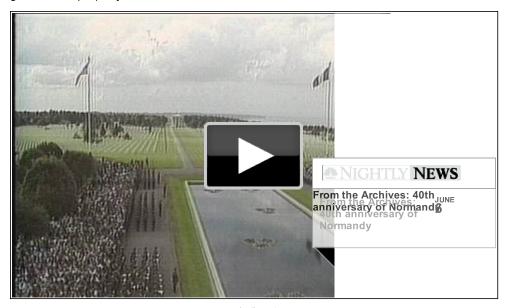


On June 6, 1944, Allied troops landed along the French coastline to fight Germany on the beaches of Normandy, France. NBC's Brian Williams reports.

Among the documentation Roy provided was a Purple Heart certificate purportedly signed by President Richard Nixon but dated four months after Nixon had resigned from office, Mrozek said.

Roy also sent a letter to the Army in 2008 seeking a Purple Heart for extensive injuries he said he sustained in a mortar and rocket attack at a forward operating base in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, when in fact he was not involved in such an incident, Mrozek said.

Roy was indicted on one count of presenting false writings to defraud the United States, three counts of making false statements to the government and three counts of stealing government property.





June 6, 1984: D-Day Veterans and heads of state met on Normandy Beach to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Allied Invasion of Normandy. NBC's Tom Brokaw, Jim Bitterman and Chris Wallace

Mrozek said Roy, who remains on active duty, would be sent a summons to appear in federal court next month for an arraignment on the charges.

The Southwest Riverside News Network quoted Mrozek as saying the defendant, who has been in the Army for more than 35 years, was currently at home in Winchester, Calif.

Reuters contributed to this report.

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nathan krall

#60

Just thinking out loud hear, I am pretty sure this is a bit extreme, to face so much time, if he is convicted, nor am I saying he wasn't wrong. During the Vietnam war, there was a man, who's family pulled some strings an got a posting with an Air National Guard called a "Champagne Unit", as these men would not see combat in the Asian theater.

This man then went A.W.O.L. for a year and never faced the consoquences of his actions. Decades later this man had the audacity to stroll across the flight deck in a uniform he had disgraced, after sending the country to war based on lies. What should be done with this man?

SHARE 7 replies



Watermoon

#60.1

Would that be bill CLinton or John Kerry? Or maybe you are doing the Dan Rather thing and basing such stories onn forged documents and proven liars.

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jonathan krall

#60.2

No I'll leave the ying up to you and your ilk. Kerry was actualy in Vietnam and was award for his service

SHARE



Susie-2759697

#60.3

jonathan::: What should be done with this man? He should retire as a former governor of Texas and a former president of the US.

At least he DID accomplish part of his mission. He got out of the plane-- on a flight deck-- and didn't fall on his face!

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raddave

#60.4

Watermoon, Bush's own service record verified that he was indeed AWOL and never completed his obligation. Kerry served in Vietnam, and returned early, after being wounded three times. Which was SOP for then. Clinton never served in the military, so you using him as an example is bogus.

SHARE



Actor Michael Douglas

#60.5

Sorry, but your "facts" on President Bush are wrong. The only document "proving" he went AWOL was released a few days before the 2004 election, and proven to be a forgery (and a poor one at that). Even CBS admitted to it, and quickly backed off. Funny how the Swiftboat Veterans group came under intense attack during that campaign for questioning details of Kerry's service, yet those few who claimed Bush went AWOL were given a "pass" by the Left and totally believed. I was willing to give Kerry the "benefit of the doubt", but no one of the Left ever did so for Bush.

Besides, so what if Bush served in the Air National Guard during Vietnam -- lots of guys served in the Guard during that 8 year, increasingly unpopular war. Lest we forget, Vietnam was the height of the Cold War, and we still needed pilots to protect the Continental U.S. from the Soviet bomber threat. "Champagne service"? Perhaps, but better than no service at all (a la draft-dodging Bill Clinton). Interesting how, on the one hand, Americans acknowledge it was a rotten war that we shouldn't have been involved in, and even pardoned draft dodgers, while on the other we're supposed to castigate those who DID serve, even if that service wasn't in Vietnam.

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dragonmaster

#60.6

C'mon. His flight status was yanked because he wasn't there to requalify. True, the records were screwed up and incomplete but the facts remain. He didn't want to be requalified as pilot because he was going to be deployed and further, his 'Friends' stated that he was nowhere to be found. His commander during that time couldn't remember him though he could remember his other men. The Reserves and National Guard had a lot of threats about deployment for absences but I only saw 1 guy ever served up and he missed well over a year.

And, Susie, I think you're wrong. He did fall flat just by doing the CIC thing on deck.

SHARE



Actor Michael Douglas

#60.7

Sorry, Dragonmaster, but you've apparently only heard the info floating around on Leftist blog sites. I would suggest that anyone really interested in this subject consult Wikipedia (hardly a "right wing" organization) for the whole story and the actual facts as they stand. While it is true he lost his flight status 1 AUG 72, he continued to serve, as released military records detail. As for his "friends" saying he was no where to be found, the truth is abit different: "A column in the Birmingham News (Alabama) elicited memories from people who remembered Bush when he was in Alabama, working for the Blount campaign: "None have specific recollections about Bush and the National Guard. Some heard he was serving but never saw for themselves." (per Wikipedia). A few acquaintances hardly constititues "his friends". Anyways, I've known several National Guardmen over the years (including an uncle), yet I had no occasion (or reason) to ever observe them actually performing their service! As for a commander who couldn't remember him, again, so what? I served 4 years in the USAF back in the 80's, and I'll bet none of my CO's could honestly say they "remember me"... I was just one of literally thousands of airman they had serving under them at one time or the other. As for the supposed "threats to deploy to Vietnam", that was far more prevalent in the earlier War years than by 1972, and I'm sure Bush would certainly of known that, and known that his chances of actually being deployed to Vietnam were next to nothing.

Bush didn't serve his original 6 year commitment, but that was NOT unusual at the time, and was subject to the discretion of the Armed Forces. Per Wikipedia: "On September 5, 1973, Bush requested discharge from service, to be effective on October 1. He wrote, "I am moving to Boston, Massachusetts to attend Harvard Business School as a full time student." [38] Jerry Killian recommended approval of the discharge the following day. Bush had completed five years, four months, and five days toward his six-year service obligation. On October 1, 1973, Bush was honorably discharged from the Texas Air National Guard and transferred to the inactive reserves in Denver, Colorado. He was discharged from the Air Force Reserve on November 21, 1974 thus completing his service to the guard." This hardly sounds like AWOL to me, but again, check it out for yourself, folks!

SHARE



#61

There are some guys that are vets but seem to make up a lot of bull about their service just to get the OOH! effect from their audience. Other vets can tell they're fibbing and don't like it at all!

Others tell stories because they're just plain nuts! They really believe they wre there!

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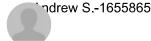


Susie-2759697

#61.1

TOR::: You must hang around the type of vets that I DON'T see.

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#62

I thought this story was about the liar on America's Got Talent. Same treatment should be given him.

SHARE



#63

I read the headline and assumed it was an article about John Kerry. Maybe this guy should run fro president! He will surely get the liberal vote. I wonder if he is an American citizne.

SHARE 2 replies



jonathan krall

#63.1

Or maybe the GOP?

SHARE



raddave

#63.2

Kerry earned his purple hearts, watermoosn.

SHARE

'epinsadie

#64

Our military is run horribly. Some of our President's skip service and yet then send our military to war. Our military has lied to dead soldiers families about how they died - see Pat Tillman. We don't take care of returning vets properly. On and on...

But 55 years for this? You've got to be kidding me.

SHARE 1 reply



DavidJ-

#64.1

He hasn't been sentenced yet. That's just the potential maximum. He'll probably get less.

SHARE

mes-296567

#65

I believe I will go with the notion that this SGM is innocent until proven guilty. I'm a retired veteran myself and definately believe these suppose lies are despicable, but most of you people here are taking this story as fact, instead of waiting for a verdict/trial.

SHARE 1 reply



Actor Michael Douglas

#65.1

True enough, we should wait for the verdict of the trail. However, I would think a Federal Indictment should be enough to at least get this guy suspended from active duty, pending outcome of the civilian trail. I imagine the JAG Corps is already investigating him, and probably working with the United States Attorney who's handling the VA case. Wonder if he falsified his DD214? Did he wear the ribbons for these

unearned medals on his uniform? And according to the story the Dept of the Army was already solicited by this guy for a Purple Heart he didn't deserve. But for now, the Army does need to suspend him from duty.

SHARE

`harles Ranier-2718823

#66

"Among the documentation Roy provided was a Purple Heart certificate purportedly signed by President Richard Nixon but dated four months after Nixon had resigned from office"

Dumbest. Conman. Ever.

SHARE

iscoBill #67

AHHH, you only get away with the GREAT LIE if you are a politician or a political candidate. He got greedy and got caught so he will be punished. Politicians get greedy and caught and the public is punished. He should have gone into politics.

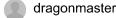
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ີ່ d Sarge-3447849

#68

This guy was a CSM? Really? All of our combat troops were pulled from Vietnam in 1973, and he served and was wounded in 74? Then the Purple Heart was signed by Nixon after he resigned. My Purple Heart was signed by the Commanding General and the Secretary of the Army. Maybe it was different in Vietnam, I don't know. Seems like the VA would have caught those discrepancies up front. The ironic thing is, he was probably entitled to benefits without all of the false hero bull@!\$%#. He deserves to get free room and board- at Leavenworth.

SHARE 1 reply



#68.1

It's just that each medal adds a percentage to retirement pay. Not just dumb, greedy too.

SHARE

ີກt Matt-1426377

#69

If you were in a war and managed to come out unscratched there's no need to lie about it. He should feel lucky, how many good men never came out at all. How many more had lives were ruined because of injuries.

I personally took a few pieces of shrapnel from road side bombs in Iraq. And while I'm technically entitled to a purple heart, there was no way on earth I was going to request it for what essentially were flesh wounds. To me that would demean the award and good men and women lost a lot more then me. I know a lot of my fellow soldiers that choose the same path as a way to honor those people truly injured in combat.

I sadly hope they make an example out of the Sgt Maj. Soldiers are taught 1st and foremost about honor and I hope the court understand and respects the value of maintaining that honor.

To all those injured and lost in battle (no matter the war), your sacrifice will always be cherished. From the bottom of the heart of a fellow vet... Thank you!!

SHARE 1 reply



Old Sarge-3447849

#69.1

Absolutely. This man has brought dishonor to himself, and in doing so, betrayed every one of us who have worn the uniform and served with honor. My Purple Heart was awarded for an IED injury. I burst both eardrums, lost vision in one eye, and suffered a traumatic brain injury. I have several pieces of metal in my body that remain there because the doctors decided that it would be too dangerous to remove them. I live with pain every day. I ask nothing of America except the medical care and pension that I earned. I don't go around bragging about my Purple Heart. Medals mean nothing. Life is what is valuable, and I am happy to have mine.

SHARE

hn Clarke-1983318

#70

Not only should the Command Seargent Major be indicted but the dumb asses in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs who awarded him the disability and educational benefits before checking his military record. Suffice to say a proper DD form# 214 issued would have shown what injuries and awards he may have received while in the military.

SHARE 1 reply



yupikesk1

#70.1

John, you reminded me a a recent situation here. In an effort to obtain help from the VA I contacted them and one of the requirements is that you produce your exit document. I cannot find it and so my tame two years in Korea never happened and I speak some Korea because I slept on a Korean/English dictionary one night. No wonder Obama gets away with all of his little games of "I did this and that . . . ".

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#71

Hey man after 35 years the guy deserves a little something. Give him a break. Maybe make him pay it back by doing some work on the side.

SHARE



#72

If congressmen and the president can lie about their and family involvement in the service why in hell exclude a pfc??

SHARE

ruaythai #73

This guy makes me sick just like other ego maniacs who seek attention and need to feel important by lying about their military service. These weasels undermine the true warriors who have served and now serve with their lives in defense of our country. As a retired Msgt and Vietnam Vet we need to have stiffer laws for Stolen Valor!

SHARE

Madden #74

Disgraceful? Yes!! Thief? Yes!! Embezzler? Yes!!! But 55 years for \$57,000 is ridiculous. Don't get me wrong. A punishment is definitely warranted here... But shouldn't the near life sentence be saved for the rapist's murderer's and child molesters whom usually get less than half that. If I missed something here, please let me know.

SHARE

nniferRBG #75

Please give this creep the maximum sentence. Better yet send him to Afghanistan and send him into the most Taliban infested area and show just what a hero he is. Yeah, far better than feeding and lodging him for the next 55 years. He is a total waste of air, not to mention food.

SHARE 1 reply

MUGTECH #75.1

Really think he will survive prison to age 112?

SHARE

nthony Gumbrell #76

Bragging, self promotion, and fraud are as American as mom's apple pie. This retired soldier is a true blue American, albeit, one who just got caught lying. For every one who gets caught a hundered, or more, get away with it. Our leaders lie to us; our media lie; our bosses lie to us; we lie to our bosses; we get in traffic accidents and lie to protect ourselves. We believe other people's lies, don't we? Hell, we even believe our own lies. We are Americans!

SHARE

t's laugh and say !!!! #77

IF YOU LIE ABOUT SOMETHING TODAY, "YOU WILL HAVE TO TELL ANOTHER LIE TO COVER IT UP TOMORROW"; it's apparent, this guy got caught all up, so try going that extra mile with mercy. he that has not gotten all caught up, let him cast the first stone.

SHARE

Camp-1109014

#78

Soldier accused of lying about Vietnam Purple Hearts, Afghanistan attack

The tip of a very large iceberg.

And, a societal problem, with the ignorant and shallow application of terms like 'hero,' warrior, or 'patriot' to describe anyone who wears a uniform or possesses opposing thumbs.

SHARE

___າiderJohn

#79

What a D head I got a short rope and a tall tree I believe the correct word for this SOB is Slimy

SHARE

ictor Michael Douglas

#80

Can't believe that, according to the story, this scumbag is still on active duty! The first thing the Army needs to do is suspend his @!\$%#, and get the JAG to file charges against him for a court martial. Get this creep out of the service asap!

SHARE

≥ ffalorunner51

#81

as a disabled vet, i find this very disrespectful, to all of the men, who gave, and to those who gave all, the lack of respect for a fellow vet, is shameful, while some of us, who really do need the help, cant get it, my in-country records from nam, can not be found, i have been trying to find them, for better than 2 yrs, with not much sucess, and to have this man, spit in the faces of combat vets, is a shame, make him pay back all of the monies he ripped off from us, and strip him of any and all of his future bennies

SHARE

MARINE

#82

Anything short of DEATH by a military firing squad is unacceptable. Since he wants to claim having wounds, then I think we should give him some. Why does AMERICA accept the policy of tax payers keeping criminals alive in prison for life? Just get rid of them!!!

OORAH!!!!

SHARE

≈luvnvet

#83

I thought I was going to be able to pass on making a commentary on this case... But. My father was a 29 year active duty veteran of WWII in China/Burma/India. Korea, then reserves, then back in for Vietnam. I was US Army 1965-66-67. This is a Veteran of 35 years that is posing as something he is not, and there are a few that feel that what he did wasn't "really so bad, after all, he is serving his Country". I can tell you that from personal

experience, there are some multi-year members of the military that are in there for life for a reason.....some of them couldn't really make it in the real world of making a living. This is their haven. I don't mean to knock the dedication and expertise of the many that are long-term military, but there are also a lot of higher ranking "lifers" that are there only for the financial sanctuary that has been created. If he has to lie to further his own position within the military, then he certainly has dishonored those that have been there and have done the job, as well as those that have had their bodies, minds, and families shattered by the wars.

He deserves to be exposed for what he has done, and restitution enforced.

Which might bring us to our Washington based politicians. They have voted themselves ridiculously high compensations for life for performing one hell of a lousy job, while boasting and promising to be something that they are not. Kind of like this guy! They have certainly been exposed for what they are, so how about a bit of justice and restitution for these folks!

SHARE

ିବrol-301690 #84

The sad irony here is that he just may be crazy enough to be on that disability he so wanted, but blew it!

SHARE

\$\text{chroeder-2817202} #85

"he served as a medic in Vietnam in 1974" Neat trick, since U.S. troops were withdrawn in 1973 after the signing of the Paris peace accords. That any U.S. citizen would not know this, let alone someone who's been in the Army since at least 1977, is appalling. That whoever processed the claim & awarded him benefits did not know this is & therefore did not catch that obvious lie is disgusting. I wonder how many Americans don't know the years of the Civil War, or of U.S. involvement in WW's I & II. The Trojan War was important enough to the Greeks that to this day we read the Iliad (or at least did when I was school, back in olden times). What is important to the United States besides reality TV?

SHARE 10 replies



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.1

Vietnam FELL to the COMMUNISTS in MAY of 1975 and there were US TROOPS there until that date. When the MAIN force left in 1973, several THOUSAND advisors remained behind to train the South Vietnam Army. THAT is why there was a need for an EVACUATION in MAY of 1975. Stop posting until you know what the he** you're talking about.

The fall of the city was preceded by the evacuation of almost all the American civilian and military personnel in Saigon, along with tens of thousands of South Vietnamese civilians associated with the southern regime. The evacuation culminated in Operation Frequent Wind, which was the largest helicopter evacuation in history. [2] In addition to the flight of refugees, the end of the war and institution of new rules by the communists contributed to a decline in the population of the city.

YOU have no clue as to what YOU are talking about. I suggest you stop posting until you do your research. The LAST American soldier to leave South Vietnam left in May, 1975, MAY 29th of 1975 to be more precise...

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fall_of_Saigon

www.tecom.usmc.mil/HD/.../Vietnam War 1962-1975.htm

You should close your account posting such MISINFORMATION. The LAST Vietnam Combat Death was May 29, 1975.

SHARE



#85.2

YOU have no clue as to what YOU are talking about......You should close your account posting such MISINFORMATION.

What do you propose for the 3 yahoos that voted for his post? LOL!

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.3

They're as dumb as the one who posted the initial lie. They should have their food stamp card taken away.

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.4

I wonder how many Americans don't know the years of the Civil War, or of U.S. involvement in WW's I & II.

Count yourself among those Americans who don't know. The very first Vietnam Death was in 1955 before any advisers were sent (CIA observer to the French withdrawal). The first OFFICIAL Vietnam Combat Death was in 1959 and the last was in 1975.

If you don't know, I suggest you go to G.E.D. classes.

SHARE



PchBanApple

#85.5

NectarineRecordsInc. @ Thu Jun 7, 2012 5:38 PM EDT: The first American death in Vietnam at the hands of the Vietminh was in 1945, Lt. Col. A. Peter Dewey of the O.S.S.

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.6

I wont disagree. But it wasn't called Vietnam then. The first POST Dien Bien Phu death was in 55. I stand my ground.

WORLD WAR II was still going on in July of 1945 so that wouldn't actually count as a Vietnam death and would be considered a World War II death.

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.7

VIETNAM didn't exist in 1945. It wasn't called Vietnam until independence was gained from the French in 1954, it was called French Indochina prior to 1954....

The Vietnam War officially began Nov1 1955.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vietnam War

Can't have a VIETNAM casualty without a Vietnam which didn't exist then. It was a FRENCH protectorate prior to the 1954 Peace Accords and the war between the Vietminh and the French.

WWII was still raging in July of 1945 as the Japanese had yet to surrender.

If you're going to correct someone, at least know what you're talking about.

SHARE



#85.8

Arlington National Cemetary Website

http://www.arlingtoncemetery.net/apdewey.htm

INDO-CHINA REBELS KILL U.S. OFFICER

Slay Lieutenant Colonel A. Peter Dewey From Ambush

British Arrest Commander of Japanese

SAIGON, French Indo China, September 26, 1945 Lieutenant Colonel A. Peter Dewey of Washington, D.C. was killed and Captain Joseph Coolidge of New Hampshire was seriously wounded by Annamese in disorders today.

Other American officers, defending United States headquarters from a siege of three hours, killed at least eight natives.

British, French and Japanese also suffered casualties in a series of incidents. As a result of the continued disorders, Field Marshall Count Juichi Terauchi, the Japanese commander, was placed under house arrest.

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#85.9

I don't think you understand. I am well aware of the death, but there WAS no Vietnam in 1945. It is listed as a WORLD WAR II casualty.

Do some research please, you're beginning to look a little foolish.

WWII, May 1939- August 1945. ANY death between that period would be considered a WWII casualty.

Common sense would tell you that.

The country was FRENCH INDOCHINA until July of 1954, so there couldn't have been a Vietnam casualty as Vietnam didn't exist. It was PART OF FRANCE? Do you have comprehension issues or something?

The Vietnam War period officially is from Jan 1955 to May 1975 That much is documented.

WORLD WAR II, NOT Vietnam. There were MANY casualties in FRENCH INDOCHINA during the war (WWII) but they are officially listed as World War TWO WAR casualties.

http://www.army.mil/article/5692/army-marks-50-years-since-first-vietnam-casualty/ A CIA plant is not a war casualty either....

SHARE

Bassai

#85.10

I don't think you understand. I am well aware of the death, but there WAS no Vietnam in 1945.

If that was directed at my post that is exactly why I posted it.

SAIGON, French Indo China

SHARE

'abi-1146228 #86

He lies so good, he'd make a good politician

SHARE

hokara #87

I was in the Navy for six years in peacetime, never did anything important or even very useful. I never got any medals or anything, except the ones they give you for just showing up or for shooting straight at the rifle range. I have heard of plenty of fake veterans ("wannnabees") before, but this is the first case I've ever heard of, of an active duty serviceman faking medals.

SHARE 1 reply



#87.1

Not the first, Admiral Boorda committed suicide over a similar issue.

SHARE

uffman3 #88

i do not believe n war but since there always is 1,SEND that mfk'er.

SHARE

teelermama #89

How is he on active duty and he's been awarded more then 27K in disability benefits, which means he's collected them... Also, you can cash in on educational benefits while your on active duty and since he's been in almost 38 years, I'd say that 30K sounds about right without using any bogus evidence.

Either way the story ends, he probably could have gotten what he needed without lying...piss poor excuse for a soldier!!!

Air Force Vet

SHARE 5 replies

Bhokara #89.1

Chances are since he's on active duty, he'll get a DD for this with a loss of all pension and benefits. A stiff penalty for being an idiot. This guy is going to be a Walmart greeter the rest of his miserable life.

SHARE

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Actor Michael Douglas

#89.2

Bhokara -- good point! I just feel sorry for the poor Walmart customers this jerk will regale with his phony "war exploits"!

SHARE



NectarineRecordsInc.

#89.3

Disability Severance pay more than likely. It happens all of the time.

SHARE



BigMannnn

#89.4

I was thinking the same thing conerning how in the world is he collecting benefits but is still on active duty. As far as the educational benefits I wonder if he was using VOC Rehab with he would not be entitled to until he retires.

SHARE



Bassai

#89.5

He is on active duty because he is assigned to a WTU under the Wounded Warrior program. His claims may be bogus, but somewhere out there in Big Army is a doctor that that he had been injured severely enough to be retained on active duty for treatment.

SHARE



#90

He will be the first Command Sgt Major busted to Private and then dishonorably discharged with no retirement and a life in prison. All over more money.

SHARE

1 reply



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#90.1

No he wont be the first by a long shot.

SHARE



'YC TEXAN-4146170

#91

as a former medic my position is give him life at Ft Leavenworth, Kansas.

SHARE



'ectarineRecordsInc.

#92

This should not be tolerated. He should be fined and barred from receiving any benefits.

SHARE

igMannnn #93

A CSM with 35 years of service is supposed to be the epitome of what a Soldier is. I served 23 years and in that time I saw no real action. It just happened by chance that whatever unit I was serving in never really engaged in combat operations. I am not embarrassed or ashamed that in 23 years I never received direct fire even though for the majority of my career I was in Combat Arms (11B/11C/11H). I tell everyone I must have had a horseshoe up my @\$\$ because of how I never saw action.

SHARE

LLERGIC TO STUPID PEOPLE

#94

I HAVE A BLUE HEART!!!!

My name is Seth Tammins, I live in my parents attic here in Cleveland Ohio.

Im a Virgo, 42 years old, my hobbies are Reading, Water Sports, and anything having to do with adolescent Boys. I'm also a AM Shift Manger at the Starbucks on Main & 4th.

I had a RED HEART upon seeing Justin Beiber at the Silver Springs Mall....

My Heart went PURPLE when I saw him getting into a Limo with some Latina woman.

My Heart...?... it's a BLUE HEART upon reading in Teen Beat Magazine that he's dating some Biatch.

SHARE

rickwall #95

Anyone - remember those who stated that no questions should be asked when a military person claims PTSD?

This news media report shows exactly why there should be some real symptoms and assessment by Medical Personnel or other professional prior to giving benefits for PTSD.

SHARE

Tanee #96

It totally disgusts me when I hear about someone lying about something like this! And it's totally disrespectful to those soldiers who earned these medals honestly by actually getting injured & performing heroic deeds in the service of their country.

SHARE

`⊲landowner-3905707

#97

All of the posts today seem fairminded and everyone is entitled to their opinions of this soldier. Now if we could get cheetah to explain why all E-9s are arrogant and a dime a dozen and get frogmorton to understand that George W. Bush is no longer POTUS but was much much better than what we have now we would have an intelligent post day.

I take exception to the E-9 remark because my son is an E-9 and has a BRONZE STAR AND A BRONZE STAR WITH VALOR DEVICE, 3 tours in Iraq and 2 in Afghanistan.

I am Viet Nam era and thank all who served in that and all other theaters of any war

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- 1. George Bush was NOT.
- 2. I am a Navy Vietnam Era Vet. (Operation Frequent Wind)
- 3. Peacetime Air Force Vet.

All E-9's are not arrogant, usually if you make it to E-9 you paid your dues.

4. President Obama has done more for Veterans Causes than any President since Truman who created the VA.

Maybe in the Army they are, in the Air Force, generally the E-9 board wont even look at your record unless you have a Master's Degree.

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#98

I HAVE A BLUE HEART!!!!

My name is Seth Tammins, I live in my parents attic here in Cleveland Ohio.

Im a Virgo, 42 years old, my hobbies are Reading, Water Sports, and anything having to do with adolescent Boys. I'm also a AM Shift Manger at the Starbucks on Main & 4th.

I had a RED HEART upon seeing Justin Beiber at the Silver Springs Mall....

My Heart went PURPLE when I saw him getting into a Limo with some Latina woman.

My Heart...?...?... it's a BLUE HEART upon reading in Teen Beat Magazine that he's dating some Biatch.

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t's laugh and say !!!!

#99

IF YOU LIE ABOUT SOMETHING TODAY, "YOU WILL HAVE TO TELL ANOTHER LIE TO COVER IT UP TOMORROW"; it's apparent, this guy got caught all up, so try going that extra mile with mercy. he that has not gotten all caught up, let him cast the first stone.

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What do you think?

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