

W.I.A. 06/01/03 Sergeant Wasim Khan 24 Richmond Hill section of Queens, New York Infantryman, 2nd battlaion First Armored Division, seriously wounded in Baghdad Iraq when an RPG ripped through the guardpost shattering his leg and slicing his body with shrapnel. He has had 17 surgeries, one to repair his eye, and the rest, including 3 skin grafts, to salvage his right leg. Once an avid cricket player, Khan is now in constant pain and has limited use of his leg. An immigrant from Pakistan, Khan received his citizenship while recovering at Walter Reed Military Hospital. Photographed January 10,2004.



W.I.A. 04/03/03 Army Sergeant Jeremy Feldbusch 24 Derry Township, Pennsylvania

Ranger from the 3rd Battalion, 75th Regiment injured April 3, defending the Hadithah Dam. Awarded the purple heart and bronze star with valor. He is completely blind, his brain is held together with titanium plates, he suffers seizures and some brain damage. Photographed in his home October 18, 2003.

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W.I.A. 05/18/03 SPC. SAM ROSS, 21, Dunbar Township, Pennsylvania

Army paratrooper and combat engineer with the 82nd Airborne Division, was gravely injured in Baghdad when a bomb blew up during a munitions disposal operation. He is blind, has no hearing in one ear, lost his leg, has shrapnel throughout his body, and has had 15 surgeries. He described his time in the military as "the best experience of my life." Photographed in his home on October 19, 2003

W.I.A. 07/15/03 MARINE CORPORAL ALEX PRESMAN 26 Sheepshead Bay, New York Infantryman in 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, severely injured outside of Baghdad Iraq when a mine exploded in front of him blowing off his left leg. Photographed in his apartment on October 28, 2003.