

SEVENTH CIRCUIT COURT OF DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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IN THE ESTATE OF:

STEVEN L. MCNAIR

No. 09P1084

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JONULA MECHELLE MCNAIR
2430 BEAR ROAD
NASHVILLE, TN 37215

NOTICE OF CLAIM FILED

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated 30-2-313(a), you are hereby notified that the following claim has been filed in this office against this estate:

Claimant:	Amount:	Date Filed:
THOMPSON, PATRICIA	\$12,000.00	December 09, 2009

Exceptions to Claims must be written and filed in triplicate. Please contact your attorney for legal information.

RICHARD R. ROOKER, CLERK

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In the Seventh Circuit Court of Davidson County, Tennessee
(Probate Division)

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CLAIM FORM

RICHARD R. ROOKER, CLERK

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To file a claim you must:

1. Submit this notarized affidavit and two (2) copies.
2. Submit evidence to support the claim, plus two (2) copies (statement, open account voucher, etc.)
3. Submit a check payable to CIRCUIT COURT CLERK in the amount of \$11.00 and return to CIRCUIT COURT CLERK, Probate Division, 1 Public Square, Room 303, P.O. Box 196300, Nashville, TN, 37219-6300.

Patricia Ann Thompson
Creditor

Claim against the estate of:

7223 Hall Greenbrier
Address

Steve McNair

Greenbrier, TN. 37073
City, State, Zip

Docket Number 09/1084

Date	Item & Nature of Claim	Amount	Credit	Unpaid Balance
<u>March</u>	<u>Through June Paintings</u>	<u>\$ 12,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 12,000</u>
		\$	\$	\$
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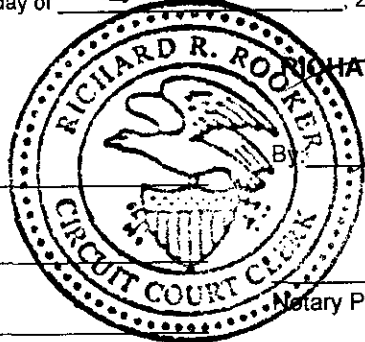
THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THIS CLAIM IS \$ _____

I (or we) make oath that the above claim is a correct, just and valid obligation of the estate of Steve McNair, deceased, that neither the undersigned, nor any person in my or our behalf has received payment therefor, in whole or in part, except as is credited above, and no security has been received therefor, except as stated above.

This 8 day of December, 2009

Patricia Thompson
Creditor's Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of December, 2009



RICHARD R. ROOKER, Clerk

Attorney for Creditor

[Signature] D.C.
Or

Address

Notary Public

Phone

My Commission Expires: _____

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To Whom it may concern

I have never done anything like this and thought I was going to have to speak to someone and be able to explain that Steve offered to pay me to do three paintings but since he was giving one to his wife & Bue his manager I wanted to do it for free. So on the claim form I put the full amount but I would still like to do that one for free of his wife, him, and his two children. I don't know how to get in touch with his wife. So if who ever reads this, maybe you can give her my information, so I can do that for Steve and her. Also if maybe someone can contact me and let me know how long this might take.

Since I am disabled from
RA and Stage 3 cancer
problems and I am a single
mom and I paint the fallen
Soldiers for the families for
free, I poured my heart and
three months into this, and
after he passed it took me
for ever to try and figure out
how to get this far. It has
left me in such a horrible
situation, I am now trying
to play catch up, because
before this I would do small
paintings here and there and
sell things on ebay. But since
I thought I was going to be
OK, I poured every moment
into Steve's painting for over
three months and I only
get 2,27.00 a month for
me and my son. His
Birthday just passed and
I couldn't even get him a
cake. He knows we probably

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want have Christmas but I
am now afraid I won't be able
to pay the bills. I have
had to stop painting the
fallen Saldin for now.

Sorry I have to cut this
off because the Court man
I just said they are closing.

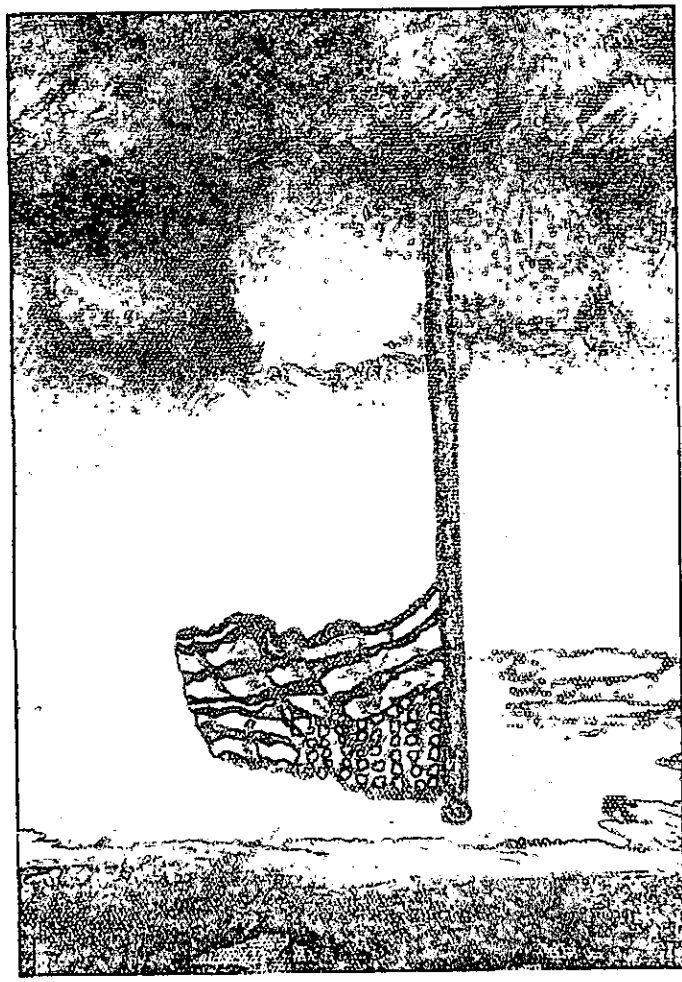
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Please Thank you.

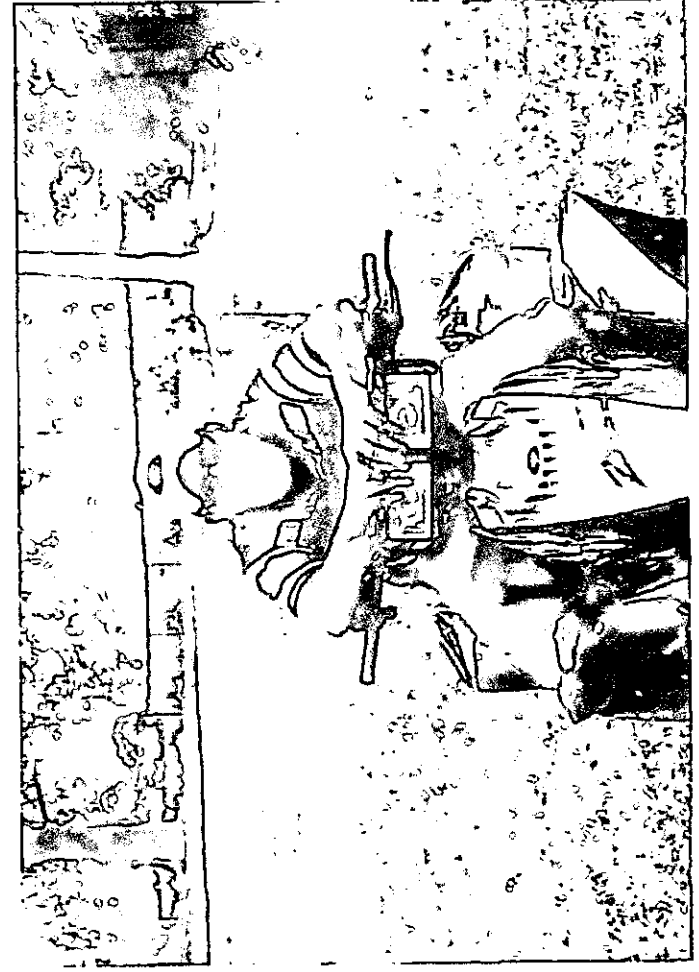
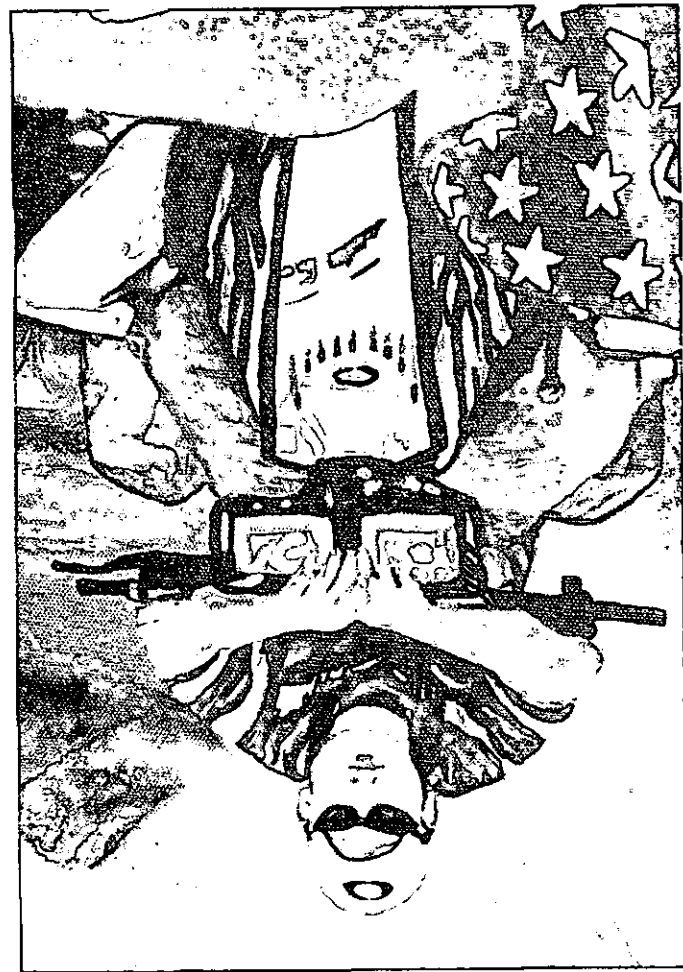
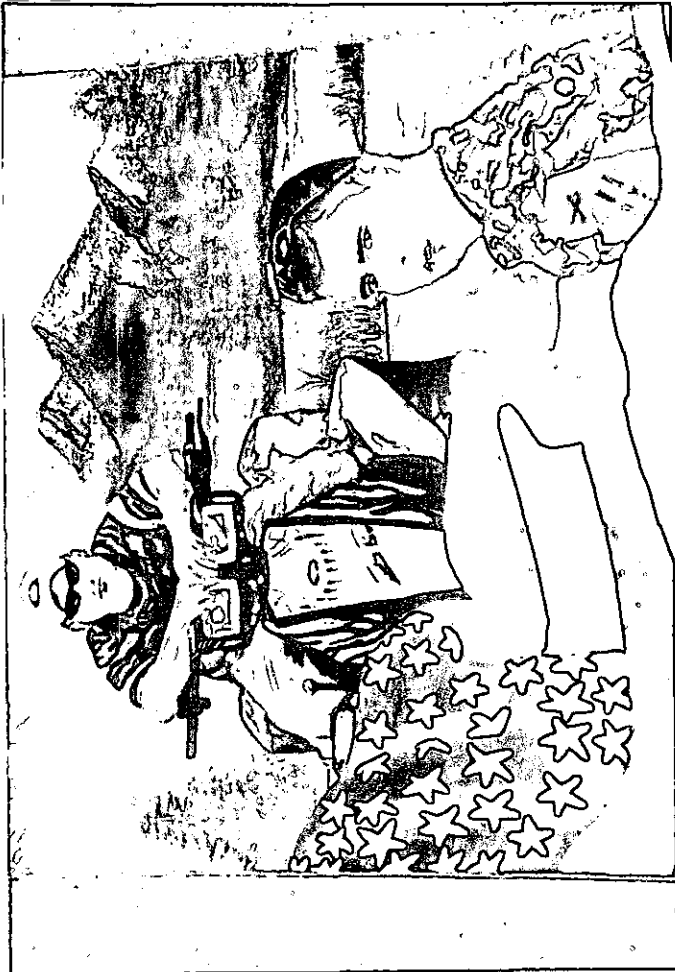
Patricia Thompson

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Fallen Soldiers I Painted Emailed to Steve









Pics of Painting emailed to Steve
it is not done in these pictures



OK, SO IT IS NOT DONE YET SO DON'T THINK THIS IS WHAT THE FINAL WILL LOOK LIKE. BUT HOPE YOU CAN SEE THE IDEAS
I CAN'T SEEM TO GET THE COLOR TO COME OUT AND I CAN'T FIGURE OUT THE CAMERA. BUT IT IS BLUE NOT PURPLE ONLY
STUCK TO THIS FRAME SO IT WOULD STAY UP FOR THE PICTURE. BUT SINCE IT IS ON THE WALLPAPER YOU CAN REMOVE IT
MATED AND FRAMED ANYWAY YOU WANT. I TOOK OFF YOUR NAME AT THE BOTTOM AND I AM GOING TO DO IT BETTER. IT
SHOULD BE DONE SOON. HOPE YOU LIKE IT SO FAR. JUST LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT ANYTHING CHANGED OR ADDED.

From: Steve McNair <SMCNAIR9@COMCAST.NET>
To: Patricia Thompson <portraitsofmemory@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wed, March 25, 2009 3:23:35 PM
Subject: Re:HELLO, STEVE, PATRICIA FROM PORTRAITS OF MEMORY / SOLDIERS ANGELS..

Patricia

It was good to hear from you again. It has been a long time. I hope things have been going good with you. Do you still talk to Kendal what has she been up to? I didn't do this or even paint. This is so cool. Your paintings are amazing. I was thinking about it and how about if I hire you to paint some paintings for me would that be cool. I don't know if you heard but I am opening a new restaurant in Nashville as Kendal would call it. lol. Could you paint a life-size painting of me for the restaurant. You could put your information on it and maybe get some donations or business that way to. And if you have the time before Christmas I would like a family painting of me, my wife, and the kids. I would also like one of my manager, his wife, and his two kids. I think that would be one of the coolest Christmas gifts. I know you are painting the soldiers so if you don't have the time that is ok. But since you offered to do the painting of me and the family I was thinking you could paint a few for me and you could get some money and I would have Christmas taken care of. My manager is busy, I don't know if you ever heard of him, he is a great guy and has money, rollin' out his ears so it is hard to find a gift for somebody that has everything. This would be a great and personal gift. I will have to figure out how to get a pic of his family without him knowing. And I don't know if Kendal ever told you but I have 4 boys but my wife Mechelle has some disagreements on the older 2 boys that are not by her so I wouldn't be having them in the painting. If you can do this the painting for the restaurant could be done by the end of May or the beginning of June. The other two would be Christmas gifts. I will give you a call or we can get together have a drink or lunch and talk about it and I will get some pictures together. How about \$5000.00 for my painting and \$3,500 for the family and \$3,500 for my manager's painting? If you can do it that way I would still like it to be done as a donation. Just let me know if that is enough, if not we can work something else out. I would like my painting to be as big as you can make it!!!! so if you can get some sizes together that would be great and any ideas you got. I really like the personal ideas you have done with the soldiers. We'll hit me back up with an email or give me a call. Take care and if you talk to Kendal tell her I said hey.

Steve McNair
1-615-400-5612

----- Original Message -----

From: Patricia Thompson <portraitsofmemory@yahoo.com>
To: Steve McNair <SMCNAIR9@COMCAST.NET>
Sent: March 24, 2009 5:53:52 PM
Subject: HELLO, STEVE, PATRICIA FROM PORTRAITS OF MEMORY / SOLDIERS ANGELS..

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HELLO, STEVE, PATRICIA FROM PORTRAITS OF MEMORY / SOLDIERS ANGELS..

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Tues, March 24, 2009 5:53:52 PM

From:

Patricia Thompson<portraitsofmemory@yahoo.com>

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View Contact

To: SMCNAIR9@COMCAST.NET

HELLO, STEVE, THANK YOU FOR CALLING ME BACK IN REFERENCE TO DONATING TO MY CAUSE SOLDIERS ANGLES. PORTRAITS OF MEMORY. I APPRECIATE IT MORE THAN YOU KNOW.. SORRY I DID NOT GET BACK TO YOU BEFORE NOW. BUT WE LOST ANOTHER SOLDIER FROM THE 101'ST AND I WAS WITH THE MOTHER MOST OF THE EVENING. BELOW YOU WILL SEE MY CAUSE AND WHAT I DO.. I NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND HELP STEVE.. AND I THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART FOR YOUR HELP. I AM ALSO WILLING TO PAINT A PICTURE FOR YOU FOR YOUR DONATING. IT CAN BE OF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY OR WHATEVER YOU WOULD LIKE, JUST SEND ME A PICTURE OF WHATEVER YOU WOULD LIKE PAINTED AND I WOULD BE HONORED TO DO THAT FOR YOU.. THANK YOU AGAIN STEVE.. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ME OR EMAIL ME AT ANYTIME..

YOUR TRUE FRIEND

PATRICIA THOMPSON

7223 HALL ROAD

GREENBRIER, TN. 37073

615-414-7203

GOD BLESS

THIS LINK BELOW WILL TAKE YOU TO THE PAYPAL SITE FOR DONATING..OR YOU CAN SEND DONATIONS TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE.. IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS THE PAYPAL EMAIL IS..PORTRAITSOFMEMORY@YAHOO.COM.. I CANNOT SEEM TO GET THE LINKS TO COME UP IN THE EMAILS.. SORRY BUT I AM NOT VERY GOOD AT THIS..LOL... THANK YOU AGAIN STEVE..
P.S. WE MISS YOU HERE IN TN..

PLEASE CLICK HERE TO DONATE

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Guidestar Profile

Soldiers' Angels Portraits of memory is a volunteer-led 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing aid and comfort to the men and women of the United States Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and their families

Artist Patricia Thompson paints Portraits of Memory as gifts for families of America's fallen military heroes. She works closely with each family, and paintings are made according to individual requests and instructions. Soldiers' Angels is honored to assist Patricia by helping her contact the families that have lost their hero. Donations are needed to help supply materials and cover shipping costs for this labor of love.

To commission a gift Portrait of Memory in honor of a fallen hero, please email the Living Legends Team, or contact Soldiers' Angels at 615-752-2260.
About Portraits of Memory

In 2005, a Marine and friend of Patricia Thompson asked her to paint a memorial of his lifelong buddy and fellow Marine who had fallen in Iraq. He wanted the portrait as a gift to his friend's father. She refused payment stating her hero and their family had given enough and poured her

heart into the project. Soon word spread about the powerful artwork she had created, and people she'd never met began to call and ask her to paint a portrait of their own fallen loved ones. She never turned down a request and always refused compensation from the families, stating that they had given her more than enough, freedom and security for her son's future. This is the only way I know of saying Thank you to these hero's, that have given the ultimate sacrifice. I could never charge a family that has already given me so much. I would not be able to paint it. In preparation for each Portrait of Memory, Patricia often spends hours on the phone with a grieving family—learning about their loved one's background, interests, and personality before she ever puts brush to canvas. She works off photos of her subjects, and in some Portraits of Memory has even combined an image of the fallen hero and the son or daughter born after his death. Each portrait usually takes several weeks to complete, and families receive a photograph of the artwork before final touches are made so that they can request any changes or additions.

Portraits of Memory are extremely emotional for Patricia, "My tears are on every single painting I've done," she confesses. "I try not to, 'cause I can't see at that point, but I can't help it. I always end up crying." But Patricia is proud to have found her way to honor those who have given so much for all of us. When asked by a Soldiers' Angel what motivates her to continue to paint these portraits, she replied, "How do you stop?! I've found my calling... I'm absolutely 100% content doing this."

So far, she has painted 68 portraits of Americans who have sacrificed everything in the line of duty. Though Patricia lost her husband of 23 1/2 years Oct. 2007, and is now a single mom and disabled and lives on less than 700.00 a month, she still continues to help others and put her struggles to the side. She explains she cannot go out and do fundraisers like most, so she resorts to trying to do auctions on ebay asking for help by selling the paint brushes from the paintings.. So far it has cost her more for the ads than she made. She explains she calls people and ask for help but everyone always believes someone else will help, yet no one does. Each painting cost around 75.00 to paint and ship. With over 100 hours involved. So please donate to Patricia, she has sacrificed so much and her 16 year old son has as well. He recently sold on ebay his entire collection of action figures that he has been collecting since he was 2. When asked about it, he said, it was so worth it. I just wish I had collected more things in my life to sell, to help my mom and the soldiers families.

Please donate and help Patricia and the Soldiers families.. Please..

Known as "Artist to the Stars," Patricia first showed a gift for drawing and painting when she was only three years old. In her early twenties she was diagnosed with cancer. Though cancer-free today, the surgery she required left her debilitated. She also suffers from rheumatoid arthritis, which will one day cripple her completely. Still, Patricia is driven to paint and will continue to do so until she can no longer hold a brush. Besides Portraits of the fallen, Patricia has also painted gifts for military children such as clown portraits and themed murals.

How You Can Help

If you would like to support Patricia Thompson's artistic labor of love, please donate to help cover the costs of her art supplies and the careful shipment of each painting. ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COLLECT THEIR OWN DONATIONS... IF THEY ARE NEEDED...

If you know of a military family that may appreciate receiving the gift of a Portrait of Memory, please email the Living Legends Team.

Potraits of Memory HERE ARE JUST AN EXAMPLE OF THE PAINTINGS AND STYLE

PATRICIA DOES.

Click on a thumbnail to view a larger image. Click on the close button to close it.

- * Travis.jpg - Patricia writes about her portrait of Travis:
 - * Travis1.jpg - One of the two pics Patricia combined in a portrait of Travis.
 - * Travis2.jpg - One of two pics Patricia combined in a portrait of Travis.
 - * Nate PoM.JPG - The first portrait Patricia painted as a part of Portraits of Memory. The feathers were included as a tribute to his Native American heritage, which he valued highly.
 - * Nate.jpg - A photograph of Nate, the first fallen hero Patricia painted for Portraits of Memory.
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SOME OF THE EMAILS FROM FAMILIES,

Hey, Ms Patricia thanks for just keeping me in mind and take as much time as you need for your work of art And just know that I really appreciate all that you do for all my guys from the pass and present keep up the good work. Yours truly, Charles

My name is Dennis Karnatz and I was given your address from my supervisor who lost her son in Afganistain. I too lost a family member in Iraq. My sisters oldest son was killed on July 11, 2004. He was 26 years and was married November of 2003 just prior to his deployment. His name was Jeremy J Fischer. He was a member of the Nebraska Army National Guard stationed in Lincoln Nebraska. I would very much like to have a painting of Jeremy made. I have attached a picture of Jemery. If you can do this for our family I would be grateful. Please contact me and let me know if you will be able to do the painting. I am also a 20 year vet and I would like to thank you for all you have done for our fallen heros. I look forward to hearing from you and again thank you. Dennis

Hello Patricia: Thank you for your response. I look forward to seeing the wonderful Picture that you will be doing. I thank you again for all that you do to honor our military members who have given all for the rest of us. The time you spend working on these paintings is priceless, because I know it takes away from the time that you get to spend with your own family. We can never repay you for your gift. Again thank you Dennis

I currently at Walter Reed medical center and I would like to get a picture painted if possible... I got hit by an IED while in Iraq Thanks again for all you do ...

MY HUSBAND AND I JUST LOST OUR SON PFC COREY L. HICKS, MAY 2 2008. PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT YOUR PORTRAIT OF MEMORY. THANK YOU, SHANNON

Hi: I've already read about your work, and received an email from Shelle Michaels, Soldier's Angels. I've been meaning to email you about a picture of my son Nate. It is so wonderful of you

to email and your willingness to keep the memories of our sons/daughters alive. That too is a mission in my life now, that they are never forgotten. I still haven't been able to do much yet, after losing Nate, but my hope is to eventually try to get my life a little back on track. My son Nate, CPL Nathan, J. Goodiron was 25 when he was KIA on Thanksgiving Day 2006. He was serving in Afghanistan, OEF(Operation Enduring Freedom). He was with the North Dakota Army National Guard 188th Air Defense & Artillery unit. If you do a search on his name there is a lot of information about him. Paul and I had 2 sons, Nate and Corey. Nate was our oldest son and would have been 27, Corey is 22. Nate was a newlywed when he was deployed, only married 5 days before he had to leave for Fort Lewis, Washington for 3 months of training prior to them leaving for Afghanistan. One year later, on Nov. 29th his first anniversary, we were having a memorial service for him, that was and is still so sad. He would have graduated from Minot State University in May Of 07 with a degree in Finance, but put his schooling on hold for 1 year because of the deployment. Minot State did give him an honorary degree, but I just wished he was there to pick it up himself. Our journey has been a long, hard one with many-many stops. I will email more later. Yes, we would love for you to do a picture of Nate. Thank you ever so much! Harriet

Hi Patricia Thank You so much for what you do. I am a soldiers angel. I keep in touch with a mom who lost her son last month. And I wanted to suprise her with a picture. And I thought i try and see if you be able to do it for her. I can send you a pic of him and her address so u can send it to her when it is done. Thanks Tonya

I have already been to the soldiers angels website and seen your work and what you do and you are a very special person to do what you do. I am very honored that you would like to do this. My son, Travis was not only my son but he was my best friend, family was so important to him as was the military. I will never forget the days and months after September 11, 2001, Travis was a sophmore in high school and he came home telling me he was going to someday make a difference in the world. He signed up for the guards as soon as he was 17, along with my permission. I was nervous and scared as a mother, but Travis told me "Mom I want my brothers to live a free life along with the rest of my family, and I really want to do this, "Its my job as an america. He enlisted in the National Guard in February 2002. He worked so hard at everything he wanted, he was taking online college classes, working as an intern and in the military. But he always found time to be with his family and friends. Instead of going out and about you would find him with his family or friends usually watching a football or basketball game or ESPN. His two brothers meant the world to him and have felt his loss very deeply. One of the first thing that comes to my mind when I think of him is his smile, he had a smile that would make your day better and he always could melt my heart. His life was taken way to early, but I know he died doing what was so important to him. I am very proud of my son and all he has accomplished in short life and miss him terribly. I will have to look through my pictures and would very much like for you to paint his picture. I will look throught pictures as I can see you are really busy right now. Thank you so much for the wonderful gift you give. Sheila Richter Proud mother of Sgt Travis Van Zoest

I would be honored to have you paint a picture of my son, Marcus. Last week I received cards from 'Soldier's Angels' and immediately looked them up on the internet. I was so touched by what I saw, knowing that so many people really do care. What an inspiration to me. I will be sending you information and picture(s) of my son. Thank you and may God bless you, Sue

Thank you all very much for your continuing, selfless support of our fallen heroes and their families!

Patrica You are amazing. The portraits are so wonderful. I cried when i looked at them they are so good. When i get paid i will send a donation. Thank You so much for your work. Here is Jackie's address

Patricia, thanks for your kind words and quick response. I have Jordan 's company commander searching for a photo the men like. Once they agree on the appropriate photo, I will scan it and

send it immediately. Thank you for all you do for the fine service men and woman of this nation.
I'll be in touch soon. Best Regards, Mike

AS OF 7/12/08 , THESE ARE THE DONATIONS PATRICIA HAS GOTTEN. EACH PAINTING COST HER AROUND 75.00 TO DO TOTAL. THAT INCLUDES THE CANVAS, PAINTS , BRUSHES, AND SHIPPING MATERIALS AND SHIPPING COST.

HERE IS A LIST OF THE HEROES THAT HAVE DONATED TO DATE.. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS AND YOUR HELP.EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS ME BUY PAINTS, SUPPLIES , SHIPPING THE ITEMS TO THE FAMILY.ECT. . THANK YOU ALL FOR EVEN JUST PASSING ON THE WORD TO OTHERS EVEN IF YOU CANNOT GIVE PLEASE JUST LET SOMEONE ELSE KNOW WHAT SHE IS DOING. THEN MAYBE THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE LOST THEIR LOVED ONES WILL BE ABLE TO CONTACT HER, SO THANK YOU..I AM NOT LOOKING FOR FAME ,I AM LOOKING FOR HELP IN CONTACTING FAMILIES.. SO THANK YOU ALL VERY VERY MUCH.....

My husband is a soldier... God Bless You !!! Amanda and Jamison WRIGHT (DONATED \$4.99)

Paul Knieser(DONATED \$20.00)

Jeff Monaco(DONATED \$24.05)

Larry Gevirtz Note: .(DONATED \$19.55)

JOHN BELAN III(\$13.99)

Jessica Sexton(\$14.50)

Tom Brock (\$25.00)

Soldiers' Angels is a volunteer-led 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing aid and comfort to the men and women of the United States Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and their families. Founded by the mother of two American soldiers, we are an international organization with members in all fifty U.S. states, Puerto Rico, and several friendly countries who support America's men and women in uniform. We were incorporated in the state of Nevada in June of 2003.

We are a continually-evolving, grassroots organization comprised of nearly 200,000 volunteers in over twenty different teams and programs who have developed unique and effective ways to support members of the U.S. military. To date, our volunteers have sent tens of thousands of care packages and hundreds of thousands of letters to deployed service members; we have supplied the wounded with our First Response Packs directly at the Combat Support Hospitals in Iraq and Afghanistan and the major military hospital in Germany, as well as provided care and comfort to those in stateside military and VA facilities; we have provided emergency aid to military families in need; we have partnered with the Department of Defense to provide voice-controlled/adaptive laptops to over 2,600 severely-wounded servicemembers; we have provided flights to soldiers on leave or in emergency situations, and to their families wanting to be with them upon return from overseas; we have provided Level III KEVLAR armored blankets to give personnel extra protection in their vehicles when it was needed; we help to honor and uphold the families whose loved ones have paid the ultimate price for our freedom and safety. With the assistance of our generous supporters , the many volunteers of Soldiers' Angels have accomplished this and much, much more on behalf of the grateful citizens of the United States of America.

Our slogan, "May No Soldier Go Unloved," encapsulates the motivation behind Soldiers' Angels. By working together and sharing a common vision of service, the volunteers of Soldiers' Angels continue to demonstrate active care and concern for veterans, the wounded, deployed service members and their families.

From our very inception, the focus of Soldiers' Angels has been:

Helping to Bring Home Healthy Soldiers

"May No Soldier Go Unloved"

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Recognition and Awards

Soldiers' Angels Receives United States Congress
"Certificate of Congressional Recognition"
October 2007

Dear Soldiers' Angels,

On behalf of the troopers of the First Cavalry Division, I would like to personally thank you for the tremendous support you have shown to our soldiers and their family members during our deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Division enjoyed numerous successes throughout our mission in Baghdad Culminating with the historic Iraq elections on January 30th. I am convinced tht these accomplishments would not have been possible without fabulous contributions such as yours. Not only were these gestures sincerely appreciated, but they rallied the morale of the soldiers, often at the most necessary times, and were absolutely critical to our mission completion. In other words, we could not have done it without you!

Thank you again for your friendship and support. We are extremely grateful for your dedication to your country and to America's First Team.

MG Peter W. Chiarelli
U.S. Army Commanding Officer
Fort Hood, TX
June 24, 2005

Help us support our soldiers...

Adopt a Soldier

Make a difference!
Featured Artists

These musicians, actors and other artists have supported or worked with Soldiers' Angels, used their artistic skills to inspire military personnel or their families, or done other work in support of the troops. We thank these artists for caring so much for our heroes! Please visit their sites.

Kenny Gamble

the Freedom Alliance Scholarship Fund.

This song will only be available for download to keep the costs to a minimum and maximize the amount that can be raised for Freedom Alliance. Visit www.heatherwilkins.net to listen to "Letters From War."

Aaron Letrick was born in Los Angeles and raised in Detroit, just like his father, a Marine Corps Vietnam veteran. He is the former lead singer of the rock bands Pleezer and House of Usher, and was named among the "Top 20 Male Vocalists of the 90's" by Professor magazine. He has worked on stage, film and television, and played to many thousands live by supporting the great bands of the 80's, 90's and into the Millenium. He has also done many national TV and radio commercials and countless Voice-over spots. His love of the USA and reverence for the Heroes of the US Military inspired the song Hero's Deed. "I have the ability to do what I do because of what they do. God bless them all."

You can hear Aaron Letrick's song in tribute to the military, "Hero's Deed" by clicking here.

<http://www.myspace.com/troopscdproject> Kathy Dolan and Vic Caracciola, both long-time singer-songwriters and performers, have now teamed up recently. Their song & stills video Angel By My Side, dedicated to the United States Armed Forces, is receiving accolades from military and non-military listeners alike. The song was written for a dear friend, Kieran McGann, who has served in Iraq and lost two friends with whom he served. By bringing home a message that "Freedom isn't Free", Angel By My Side brings to light the personal sacrifices our Armed Forces and their families endure with each deployment. Watch the video on YouTube or on Sharkle! You can visit Kathy's websites here and here.

Ricky Lee has been a true friend to our heroes and to Soldiers' Angels for a couple of years now. A talented young musician, Ricky dedicates his music to the brave men and women of the US Armed Forces. We are proud to feature Ricky, and invite you to listen to his great song, "She's an American Soldier." Click to listen. Check out his website, too!

Young flutist Rebekah Chesnes is donating profits from her debut CD to Soldiers' Angels. The 9-track album, Introducing Rebekah Chesnes, consists of classical flute repertoire played by Rebekah and piano accompaniment played by legendary Chicago Symphony pianist Melody Lord. The works featured on the album are by such composers as Bach, Mozart, Faure, Chaminade, and Bizet. Visit www.Cdbaby.com to support Soldiers' Angels by purchasing a copy of Introducing! For more information, please visit her website.

Angela Lashley, Nashville songwriter and mother of an American soldier who served in Iraq, co-wrote and recorded the song "So Brave" while her son was deployed. For a time it was sold in the Soldiers' Angels store with profits going to Soldiers' Angels. "So Brave" has since become an anthem for mother of deployed troops, and is now available at cdbaby.com.

Soldiers' Angels and Singer-Songwriter Shawn Hlookoff have produced a moving music video

and song dedicated to honoring the men and women of our Armed Forces in a respectful manner. The artist and Soldiers' Angels are donating this DVD and song for free (download) to every school, organization and service member in the country for use as a Memorial Day tribute and learning tool. Entitled "Soldier", the video and song is a tribute to our military personnel and highlights the sacrifices our service members and their families willingly make. The song and video squarely tackle the personal issues that Armed Forces members and their families face each and every day. Download the song here!

Hoboken native and businessman Charles Lallo has been writing songs for decades.

Most of his songs involve musical concepts with some environmental or spiritual core, and some deal with the concept of the safety of home. In this case, the song called "Home America" seemed to sum up some of his feelings about his home country. Click for more. Listen to "Home America" online!

Renegade Rail was the first "Angel Artist" at Soldiers' Angels. In addition to being great performers, they're also great supporters of our Heroes. We are proud and honored to share their music with our friends.

I cannot say enough about what this band has done for soldiers. Christmas 2004 they gave a free concert to FT. Leonard Wood for us, and you should have seen the smiles on these battle weary troops. - Patti Patton Bader, Founder of Soldiers' Angels

Mathew Modine joined up with Soldier Ride in 2006, completing the final leg of their cross-country bicycle trip. At the finale party for Soldier Ride, he signed copies of his book about the making of Full Metal Jacket for \$100 each, and donated all proceeds to Soldiers' Angels.

Patti says, "We cannot thank you enough Matthew for all you do!!!"

Jillian Russell wrote "To Dad With Love" while her dad was deployed in Iraq and sent it to him for fathers day in 2003. The song became an instant hit and received national attention. Sgt. Russell was seriously wounded in Iraq and spent 6 months in Walter Reed Hospital. Because of her father's sacrifice and service, and her deep affection for our troops, Jillian donated a portion of the proceeds from the sale of her CD to Soldiers' Angels to be used to assist wounded soldiers and their families.

Please visit Miss Russell's website and thank her for her generous donation and support of our soldiers and their families.

There are no words that can express our deep appreciation for Toby Keith. When a soldier needed him he was there. Thank you, from our hearts!!

Previously Featured Artists

Chad Harvey is a true American original: born in Evansville, Indiana and raised in nearby Lynnville, just down the highway from Indiana's most famous musical export, John Mellencamp, an artist to whom Harvey is often compared. However, Chad Harvey is far from a knock-off, delivering his self-penned, emotive, country-rock songs with an inimitable whiskey-stained voice. Harvey's not one of these fly-by-night, pin-up 'hat acts,' he is a gifted singer/songwriter armed with a six-string Gibson and a Midwestern drawl who says what he means and means what he says with his songs.

Most importantly, Harvey sticks to his country roots by being a strong supporter of the America's military men and women. For each copy of his new Get Lit purchased through Indie 500 Records (beginning June 17), Harvey will donate a copy to Soldiers' Angels for the troops! Thanks to Chad Harvey and his fans, deployed American soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines far from home will get a bit of America in the mail.

For more about Chad Harvey and Get Lit, check out ChadHarvey.com.

Samantha Allen has a lifetime of experience supporting the military—not only as a musician, but as a military spouse and a former soldier herself. But it was the underground hit "Oceans Between Us" that catapulted Samantha to fame among military families. When Samantha tried to record the song, her husband was deployed to Iraq and it took her three weeks before she could get through a performance without breaking down.

Combining country and blues with honesty and humor, Samantha sings with fiery spirit, a rich voice, and a superb band backing her up in this latest CD. In keeping with her lifetime support for the military, Samantha donates a free CD to deployed service members for each download of "Oceans Between Us" from her website. Check out her new CD, and don't miss "Oceans Between Us!"

Singer-songwriter Kevin Elliot grew up in Appalachia, East Kentucky and is devoted to his craft but without pretense or arrogance. "Whether you're an accountant, musician, businessman or trash collector, as long as you're happy, that's what counts," he says.

Kevin's experiences of overcoming drug addiction, the loss of a beloved relative, and reaching for his dreams after having temporarily lost his way should resonate with anyone who has struggled or faced difficult odds. Summing up his new CD's underlying theme of "growth and change," Elliot songs admit that you can only be put back together so many times without showing wounds and marks. In the cut "Cloudy Life," he calls them "Experience Scars." Check out his website and MySpace page!

Heather Wilkins has recorded a song for the Freedom Alliance Scholarship Fund. "Letters From War" is an incredible story of a soldier who goes to war and corresponds with his mother until he is taken prisoner. His mother continues to write to him for two years until one day he pulls up in her driveway "holding all of her Letters From War." Proceeds from the sale of the song will go to

Marino DeSilva founded Angels on Earth to coordinate musicians who want to use their musical skills to support charitable organizations in the work of comforting or healing. Under DeSilva's leadership, Angels on Earth has put together a new CD with a selection of patriotic songs performed by famous artists, Angels Across America. The proceeds from sales of the CD go to Soldiers' Angels and other "troop support" organizations. As DeSilva says, "This is obviously no political statement, whether people agree or disagree, our men and women are over there and they're sacrificing everything for freedom." You can hear selections from the CD at AngelsAcrossAmerica.com.

The Jokers Wild Band provided music for the Soldiers' Angels-sponsored BBQ at the Brooke Army Medical Center Fisher House in San Antonio on August 2, 2007. They specialize in country music and have a true heart for the brave men and women who serve our nation so valiantly. We are pleased to acknowledge them for that spirit and to bring them to all of you. We send Jokers Wild a big Soldiers' Angels HOOAH!!!

Travis Tritt doesn't just sing for the troops, he puts his money where his mouth is! At a concert for St. Charles, Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina, he donated \$15,000 dollars to Soldiers' Angels to assist Louisiana National Guard troops affected by the hurricane. Thank you Travis Tritt for your support of our troops!

John Schmidt is serious about supporting our men and women in uniform. He has created a three-song CD of support and encouragement, called This is America, Our Heart and Soul, and he's shipping it free to our deployed heroes. You can hear John's songs at iSound and on his professional website (where you can also make a donation to help him send the CD's to the troops for free).

Kathie Lee Gifford supports the troops! We are so very grateful to Kathie Lee for making Soldiers' Angels her Charity of the Month!

The Lavens are a family band playing a mixture of original materials and classic covers. Nico (age 21) and Rachel (age 15) have written 28 songs combined. Aside from being extremely talented, this family supports the brave men and women who serve our nation so valiantly, and

support, gifts to help with make a birthday or holiday special, coordination with local Angels to provide ongoing support, linking military families with "e-pals" or pen pals who know what they're going through, and providing limited financial assistance.

Learn more...

Operation SOS: Kids

SOS Kids sends humanitarian relief through shipments to American soldiers for distribution to children in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other areas where U.S. military personnel are deployed.

Learn more...

Operation Top Knot

Top Knot is a nationwide network of service clubs and individuals who sew, knit and shop to create gift baskets for infants and expectant mothers in military families.

Learn more...

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so it is our pleasure to add them to our favorite Featured Artists! We thank the Lavens for all they do to entertain our heroes and let them know they care. Visit their website for more!

Thank you to all of the organizers and performers at iPOP for their support of Soldiers' Angels! Soldiers' Angels supports the troops serving overseas, and iPOP supports Soldiers' Angels.

Other Fantastic Artists Who Support Our Troops!

Ali Landry

Adams Attic

Ben Stein

Eileen Fulton

Harry Newman

NiCole Robinson

MHANTRA

Mike Corrado

Jenn Harris

Rosie

Soldiers' Angels includes a number of special teams and programs that conduct a wide a variety of wounded, deployed and family support activities. Each team is dedicated to meeting a specific need above and beyond the adoption commitment of letters and care packages. An Angel may join as many teams as desired.

Please see the sidebar for additional teams and programs not mentioned below.
Sewing Team

The Sewing Team currently includes two affiliated groups:

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Blankets of Hope team members create handmade blankets designed to bring hope and encouragement to the wounded and ill. Sewing skills are not required.

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Scarves team members sew special cooling scarves and sand scarves that protect deployed personnel from extreme heat and dust/sand

Learn more...

Veterans Affairs Team

The Soldiers' Angels Veterans Affairs team works with VA Volunteer Service Directors to assist

patients at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers, nursing homes and Stand Downs. The team also reaches out to individual veterans in times of trouble.

Learn more...

Wounded TLC Team

The Wounded TLC Team is comprised of registered Soldiers Angels who want to offer support during the difficult time when a hero is ill or wounded. Team members send cards and letters of support to members of our military who, after suffering sometimes catastrophic injuries, need to know they are not forgotten.

Learn more...

Angel Bakers

Angel Bakers send specially-made cookies, brownies, and other treats to deployed units needing extra Angel love. They may have been through an especially difficult experience during their deployment, living in especially trying conditions, or in need of a morale boost. We aim to show our heroes how much people back home appreciate and care about them.

Learn more...

Cards Plus Team

The Cards Plus Team provides cards of encouragement and support to deployed soldiers and their families without actually adopting them. From a huge batch of Birthday cards for a deployed soldier, to cards of support and encouragement for a soldier in need, the Cards Plus Team fills a unique niche.

Learn more...

Chaplain Support Team

The Chaplain Support Team (CST) assists deployed Chaplains as they provide care, advice and comfort to their troops, and minister to the sick, injured and dying. Our Chaplains have very limited resources with which to fill their Chapels. So, our mission is to supply requested chapel items, special appreciation letters, and Baggies from Home gifts that the Chaplains hand out to their soldiers as they provide comfort and assurance to their soldiers that they are not forgotten.

Learn more...

Fisher Houses Support Team

The Fisher Houses Support Team aids Fisher Houses nationwide in their mission of supporting the wounded and their families during in-hospital recovery. Team members' efforts range from assisting with holiday decorations and cheer to regular gift card drives and help with purchase of supplies on an as-needed basis. The team also provides furnishing help for new Fisher Houses, and other efforts to bring cheer and solace to our wounded soldiers and their families.

Learn more...

Living Legends

Soldiers Angels provides a living tree to the families of the fallen. The Living Legends team aids in the distributing these memorial trees and helping the families with long-term emotional support. This is a very emotionally-strenuous team to participate in, but one that is very rewarding to those with strong and loving hearts.

Learn more....

Operation Outreach

Operation Outreach supports the families of deployed soldiers. This includes cards/letters of