



Building Homes for Heroes

USMC Sergeant Greg Caron



Ellington, Connecticut



Sgt. Greg Caron

Hero Story



On November 12, 2011, USMC Sgt. Greg Caron was on patrol in the Southern Marjah area of Afghanistan searching known Taliban compounds. Sgt. Caron was severely wounded when an IED exploded. He lost both legs, immediately, and received a critical wound to the brachial artery of his right arm.

Sgt. Caron was evacuated to Camp Dwyer where his situation turned for the worse. Once arriving at Dwyer, Sgt. Caron became unstable due to blood loss. He underwent emergency surgery to stabilize him, and to attempt to save his right arm.

Throughout the night, Caron received multiple units of blood, as the doctors did their best to stabilize him enough to enable him to be transported to a higher echelon of care at Bagram Airfield Hospital in Afghanistan. Once doctors felt he was stabilized, he was transported Bagram. While there, Sgt. Caron once again saw his condition worsen due to the extreme blood loss. Fortunately, doctors were once again able to stabilize him and he was moved to Germany.

Thankfully, the medical team was able to do enough to save the right arm, but Caron still does not have full function of the arm, and he can not grasp anything with his right hand. Sgt. Caron also lost the tip of his right middle finger, suffered shrapnel wounds to the right side of his body, and a broke his collarbone. He continues to recover at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, where he is expected to be for at least six months.





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Sergeant Greg Caron proudly serving in the United States Marine Corps in Afghanistan.



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Sergeant Greg Caron lost both legs below the knee and suffered serious injuries to his right arm. These images are after skin grafts.



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Sergeant Caron earned the Purple Heart.



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Sergeant Caron's first day in physical therapy.



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Greg and his brothers, Mike and Jon, have all served overseas in the Marine Corps.



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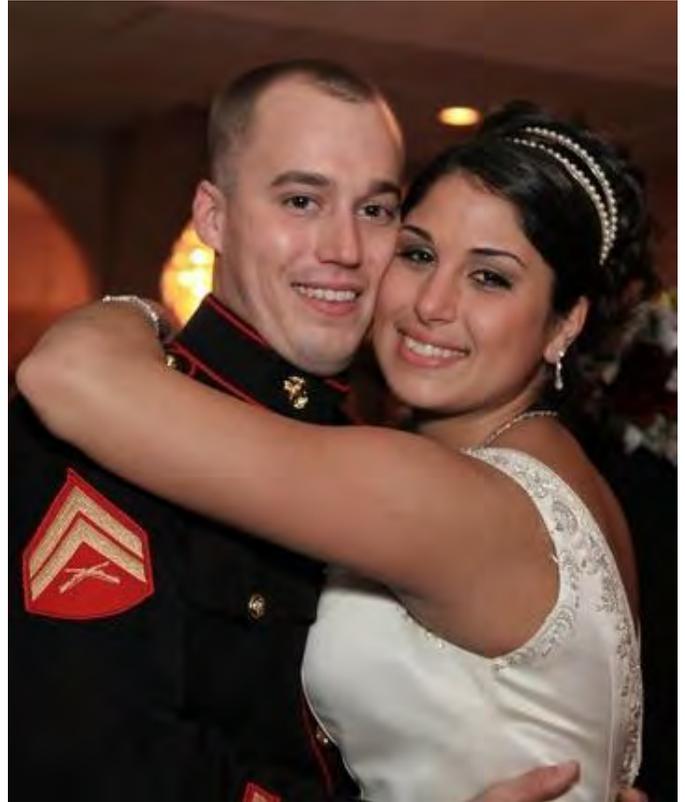
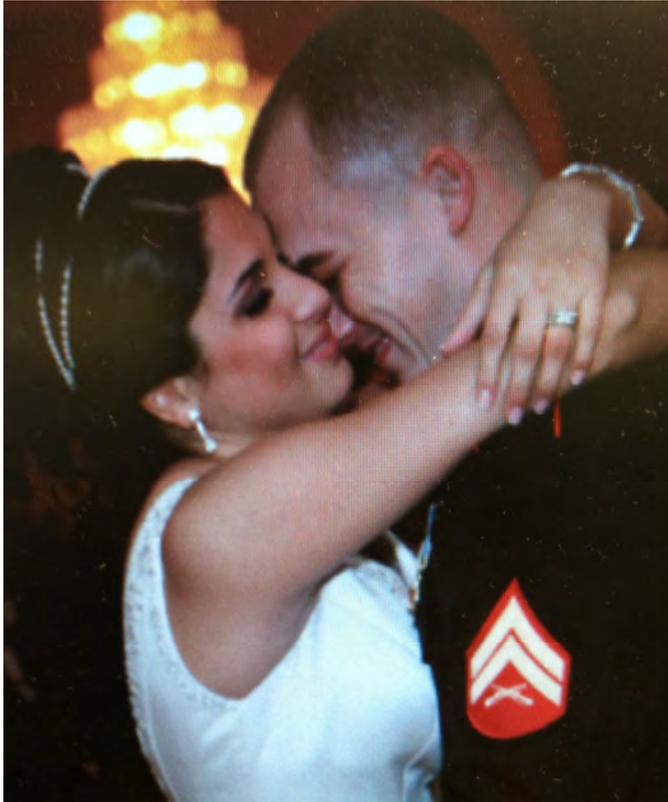


Family has been very supportive of Sergeant Caron.



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Greg & Nina Caron were married in December of 2010.



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