



WARRIOR PROFILE



NAME	ALEX MICHAEL NGUYEN
Rank	E-5/Sergeant
Status	Active Duty
Service Branch and MOS	USMC/1371 Combat Engineer
Hometown	Fremont, Nebraska
Current Location	Portsmouth, Virginia
Injury or Illness	Left leg Permanent Impairment, Right Leg Below Knee Amputation
Event(s)	Field, Sitting Volleyball, Swimming, and Wheelchair Basketball

PERSONAL PROFILE

Sgt. Nguyen joined the Marine Corps in March of 2007 as a 1371 combat engineer. He served with the 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion (CEB) and attached to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, and 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines. Sgt. Nguyen deployed with 2/6 on a Marine Expeditionary Unit, with 3/4 to Nowzad, Afghanistan, Helmand Province, and stayed internal with 2nd CEB with Mobility Assault Company conducting route clearance. During his third deployment, an improvised explosive device injured him during a route-clearing mission. He had bilateral ankle fractures, which ended in the result of an amputation of his right leg.

Sgt. Nguyen is currently with Wounded Warrior Battalion-East, Portsmouth Detachment. He is doing an internship with a yoga studio so that he can get his certificate to be a teacher. The hardest part of his recovery has been dealing with his amputation and learning how to adjust to a new life style. What he enjoys about the Warrior Games is the competition, how he can see everyone who has injuries overcome them and play sports again, as well as meeting up with friends.

