



MOSS CREEK MARINES OPERATION HELPING HEROES



Helping With paws4vets Service Dog

ADOPTED HERO NO. 19
Sgt. BRANDON KEAR
WITH MOORE



Brandon Kear, USMC Veteran (E5)

Resides in:	Jacksonville, NC
Age:	34
Program placement:	paws4vets
Certification:	PND-MAD, MED-PSY
Bump Class:	December 2016
Seminar/ITT:	February 2017
Black Vest:	5/11/17
MCM Support to date:	\$5,000 1/3/17

Brandon served in the USMC and he was honorably discharged. He served in Iraq (OIF) and returned home only to have a mini stroke. Upon further testing he was found to have Vertebrobasilar Disease (VBD). VBD causes restricted blood flow to his brain and causes him to have dizzy spells and his heart rate must stay below 140 bpm. He no longer does vigorous activities and will isolate himself from others. When alone he thinks about combat and about how lucky he was to come home from Iraq only to be diagnosed with something that could kill him. Brandon is diagnosed with PTS and VBD.

MOORE bumped with Brandon in December 2016. MOORE will help Brandon by helping him with balance, retrieving, behavior interruption and anchoring when he is anxious. This team will do wonderful things together!

Served in - OIF
2003 – 2010 honorably discharged

Awards & Commendations:
Marine Corps Good Medal

Certificate of Appreciation
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon
Iraq Campaign Medal
Rifle Qualification Badge (Sharpshooter)
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Meritorious Mast