



Support the GI Josh Dogs Program

Created by Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Arizona, the GI Josh dog is a stuffed animal wearing a camouflage bandana, meant to comfort the child of a deployed service member. Each dog comes with a book titled "I'll Be OK."

Every day there are many brave men and women who leave their homes to defend our country, and many of the silent victims left behind are their families. The adjustments they make while their loved one serves either here or abroad are many, and the loneliness and the unique fears they share while their loved one is away are real.

The GI Josh Project chronicles the journey Josh and Smudge make with young Cassie, whose daddy is sent abroad during our nation's military operations in the Middle East. Josh and Smudge befriend Cassie, who is lonely and heartbroken over her daddy's departure. Together they find coping tools which help Cassie during this trying and difficult time. Even though Cassie is still lonely, the love and comfort Josh and Smudge bring to her family helps them soldier through this difficult time together until her daddy's triumphal return from his deployment.



How can you help?

Here in Wisconsin, the Sons of The American Legion (SAL) has led the effort to give GI Josh Dogs to Wisconsin kids who have a parent deploying far from home. The SAL has given away more than 1,000 GI Josh Dogs at a cost of more than \$30,000. Unfortunately, there are still more deployments occurring, which means more funds are needed to support this impactful program. For more information about the Josh Dog Program, please contact Chris Sherman shermhunter@gmail.com.

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