

Respecting Our Brave Soldiers

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When it comes to serving America, a person must have a lot of bravery. It takes a lot to have the weight of a country on your shoulders. I believe that any person who serves our country deserves respect for having an immense amount of bravery. My uncle, George McLain served our country for 31 years! George had to face a lot going into the military, he was going in at the end of the Vietnam war. At that time people didn't have much respect for the military so people were scared for him. When people were not encouraging him to go into the military, his family always encouraged him, but they were also scared, as he was going into the Gulf War.

My uncle was always proud to be in service and was never too scared because he trusted God and his leaders. My uncle has said, "Regardless of anything, your contribution is honorable, necessary and appreciated by your country because being in the service is not easy. Be proud of yourself and be satisfied to do any task you are assigned well." In our life we should remember that a positive attitude and always doing your best makes you successful. Learning about my uncles contribution to America has put a new perspective in my eyes. I have had and will have respect for everyone who

serves America. I want to thank every person who has served this country and has helped kids like me live a better life.



(My uncle, right, with his father who was also a soldier, left.)