



Helping a Hero invites you to a  
**WELCOME HOME CEREMONY**  
*Honoring the service and sacrifice of*  
**SGT (RET) JAMES "SHANE" RAY, USA**

Fri, August 10, 2018

9:30am

MorningStar Community  
Georgetown, Texas

(Located on the north side of Hwy 29  
on the new Kauffman Loop... Follow  
the Flags & Helping a Hero signs to  
the handicap accessible home)

**Wear Red, White,  
and Blue and bring  
a Gift Card for the  
SGT RAY Family!!**



**Special Guest:**  
**Lee Greenwood**  
*God Bless the U.S.A.*

Houston based Helping a Hero is a 501 (c)(3) that builds specially adapted homes for severely wounded heroes injured in the Global War on Terror. To date over 100 homes have been awarded in 22 states.



**Support the Ray family—Attend the Welcome Home Ceremony !**

Army Sergeant Shane Ray deployed to Iraq with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne, 1-32 CAV RSTA. While on night patrol in June 2006, he was driving a Bradley Fighting Vehicle when it ran over two IEDs. The blast left SGT Ray with severe burns, the loss of a leg, and ongoing medical complications. He received the Purple Heart for his injuries in combat, the Bronze Star for his selflessness and valor and numerous other medals.

Due to his leg amputation, SGT Ray is confined to a wheelchair and hopes one day to be able to wear a prosthetic leg for at least a portion of the day. Helping a Hero worked closely with Westin Homes to design a 2,900 sq foot handicap accessible four bedroom, three bath home with a covered porch. The Holland plan includes Westin's signature rotunda, open living area, spacious kitchen, and large outdoor patio. Some of the adaptations include wider hallways and doorways, an adapted shower and toilet area, a roll under sink, flush thresholds and other safety features to enable SGT Ray to be as independent as possible. SGT Ray is married to Tessa, and they have two sons.

Helping a Hero, Westin Homes and MorningStar launched *Nominate a Wounded Hero*, to select a wounded warrior who served in the Global War on Terror for this home. As MorningStar residents, the Rays have access to Liberty Hill ISD schools, a kids' playground, an oversized swimming pool and kids splash pad, miles of hiking and biking trails, an event pavilion and a large dog park.

We are so grateful to the companies who have shown their patriotism by donating or discounting their materials and labor to reduce the cost of this home. A special thank you to all of our partners and we look forward to honoring them at the ceremony.

**Sponsorship opportunities still exist. If you would like to make a tax deductible donation towards this home, please contact Helping a Hero at (888) 786-9531.**

***Moving into this handicap accessible home will be a dream come true.*** SGT James "Shane" Ray, U.S. Army

