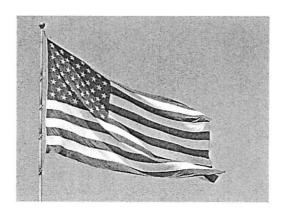
Lillian Marler

Age: 10 Grade: 5

Phone: (775) 772-1419 Teacher: Mrs. Ciccarelli School: Empire Elementary



My hero

9/11 or nine-eleven is used to refer to the events that took place in the United States on September 11, 2001, when terrorists attacked the World Trade Center in New York in the Pentagon. It was a tragic time when millions of people died and many heroes tried to save people's lives. But most of all, people died and many families were heartbroken.

My hero is someone that changed the world: My grandpa. The reason why is because he was a veteran and I am thankful for that. The way that I love my grandpa is different from any other way. He was loyal, hopeful, caring, and strong and was really a big hero to this world and he gives me hope and courage. He is only 6 minutes away from our house so I can see him whenever I want. As I have mentioned before, it is truly all thanks to the Veterans that we now have most of the world healthy and great again. Veterans have spent a good fraction of their lives fighting for the generations that come after them. They risked their lives hoping to make way for a better tomorrow, so the people who were not even alive yet could live in a better world. And for that, I thank them. Let everyone remember the determined

and bold, soldier or otherwise, for the amazing service they have committed to not only us, but our country as well. A person who once served in the armed forces is, by definition, a Veteran. But to me, a Veteran is much more than a former soldier. However, to me it always seems that we are still leaving a very significant portion of people out of this acknowledgement. Although we ladies may not have taken part in the actual combat until someone who has been a member of the services, but also pilots, captains, doctors, and nurses. More recently, the females of America have been helping as nurses, messengers, spies etc. In their own way, doing their part in creating the America we know today. The America we see today is somewhat peaceful but down inside it is TRAGIC, TERRIFYING, and HEART BREAKING but there is still love, hope and careness. But the problem we see today is covid 19, a terrible virus that is killing millions of people. Now more about my hero!

Grandfather symbolizes the eternal power of the human spirit, which will always gravitate towards freedom, no matter how many seemingly insurmountable objects are placed in its path.

My grandfather has a flag that says 9/11 and is a sad photo of it and if you walk in the garage you can see that he is a handy man and he works there most of the day working on projects almost all day.that is that keeps him going throughout the day without being bored..

He will always be in my life no matter what happens to him.

7

Veterans can do many things to help this world like community service and going to war. My grandpa was a seabee which is a United States Naval Construction Battalions, better known as the Navy Seabees, from the U.S. Naval Construction Force. They are responsible for building much of the temporary and permanent infrastructure at U.S. military locations around the world. So my grandpa was never in combat, he was doing community service by plowing the streets and helping out with construction.



The nickname "Seabee" comes from the first letters of the words that make up the unit's formal name, "Construction Battalion." When said together as one word, the letters "C" and "B" sound like the word "Seabee," hence the battalion's iconic nickname.

My grandpa loves to exercise and get out of town once in a while so that he can enjoy his day. He usually goes with his wife and goes someplace random mostly on the other side of town because he lives on the other side of the mountain next to Gardnerville but more to the left. Near the golf course. I hope you enjoyed the story of my wonderful grandpa!!