

## Honoring Military Service and Dedication

As we recently celebrated Independence Day, we reflect on the sacrifices and dedication of those who serve our country. Their stories inspire us all.

This is one of those stories shared by Janea Guerra, an executive assistant at Seton Medical Center Harker Heights and girlfriend to Lloyd Hickscolon. Lloyd served in the U.S. Army as a First Sergeant, dedicating 20 years to protecting our freedoms.

As a Combat Medic, Lloyd actively served through six combat tours. In one rotation, he was the sole medic for an entire platoon, working 24-hour shifts for several days until reinforcements arrived. Despite the grueling nature of this duty, Janea says that he always speaks of these experiences as if they were ordinary. However, his endurance and commitment represent an exceptional achievement for us civilians.

Throughout his years of service, Lloyd was a medic, a respected leader, a trainer, and a friend to many soldiers. His influence extended beyond his immediate duties, touching the lives of those he led and worked alongside. Fellow soldiers highlight his great leadership, ability to train with patience and precision, and unwavering friendship.

Lloyd's dedication and the bonds he formed exemplify the core values of the U.S. Army and serve as a powerful reminder of the human connections that underpin our armed forces. His story underscores the importance of support, camaraderie, and leadership in challenging times.

Lloyd's story inspires us to approach our work with the same dedication, humility, and commitment to making a difference. By honoring service members like Lloyd, we remember their sacrifices and draw strength and inspiration to serve our communities with similar compassion and excellence.

