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## Texas Rangers Host Wounded Service Members

ARLINGTON, TX, July 29, 2009 – On July 18, Rangers Ball Park was more than a baseball field. It was a field of dreams for nineteen wounded service members from Brooke Army Medical Center.

Hope For The Warriors™, a national non-profit organization that assists wounded service members and their families, transported the heroes from San Antonio to Arlington, TX, with the help of four volunteers from the FDNY VFW Post 12033.

Upon arrival, the service members and their families were showered with Texas Rangers' souvenirs and given a guided tour of the state-of-the-art facility. Coaches, managers and players of the Texas Rangers Ball Club greeted the honored guests, shaking hands and signing autographs. As the players took to the field for batting practice, the wounded service members were also getting warmed up for the day's activities.

As the opening ceremonies began, the wounded service members and their families, along with the Hope For The Warriors™ staff and the FDNY volunteers were escorted behind home plate and introduced to the entire stadium. The crowd rose to their feet as gratitude poured from their big Texan hearts. The baseball diamond seemed to sparkle.

“The day spent at Rangers Ball Park was a dream come true for these service members,” stated Robin Kelleher, Hope For The Warriors™ President and CEO. “The Texas Rangers Ball Club was simply amazing and we are so very appreciative of their generosity. It's the support from grateful Americans and events like these that restore hope and help these service members move forward, making a significant impact on their road to recovery.”

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