



Meet Special Guest Speaker - Major Ed Pulido

Major Ed Pulido, U.S. Army (Ret.) is the Founder and CEO of John Daly - Major Ed Heart of a Lion Foundation which provides mental, physical, and wellness support to our nation's children and America's Veterans. He is also an Ambassador for the Folds of Honor Foundation, a Veteran's charity providing the spouses and children of fallen and wounded with educational scholarships.

On August 17, 2004, while serving with the Coalition Military Assistance Training Team in Iraq, Major Pulido was struck by an IED (improvised explosive device), a roadside bomb. Extensive injuries to his knee caused doctors to amputate his

left leg. For his heroism and valor that day, the President of the United States along with General David Petraeus awarded him the Bronze Star with Valor, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, and Joint Service Commendation and Achievement Medals.

Since his amputation, Major Pulido has been a devoted advocate for Veterans with disabilities, focusing specifically on advocacy efforts to promote prosthetic technologies, visiting with fellow amputees at Brooke and Walter Reed Medical Centers, and raising awareness of the needs of Veterans with PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) and traumatic brain injuries on behalf of the Department of Defense and VA Real Warriors National Campaign.

He has received numerous awards including the prestigious Disabled American Veteran of the Year Award, the Hero's Award from the American Red Cross, and Valley Forge Freedom Foundation Award for National and State Level Service, just to name a few.



John Daly and Major Ed Pulido from Heart of a Lion Foundation.

Come hang out with Major Pulido and learn more about his inspiring story, during the **2023 WorldWide DownHome DrillFest™** in Springfield, Missouri, **October 17-19, 2023.**



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