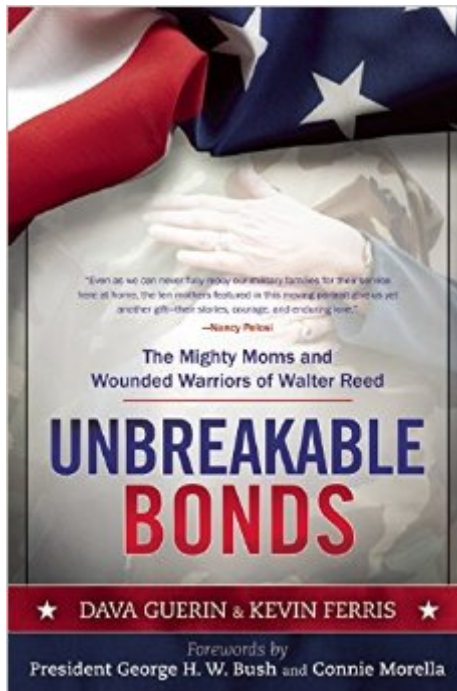


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# Unbreakable Bonds: The Mighty Moms And Wounded Warriors Of Walter Reed



## Synopsis

Unbreakable Bonds tells ten touching stories of mothers who spent years aiding the recovery of their children, US soldiers and Marines who suffered severe injuries during the War on Terror. The survival of these wounded warriors is a testament not only to the extraordinary efforts of military medical personnel and their own inner fortitude, but also to their mothers. These women put their lives on hold from the moment they get that first call about their injured son or daughter, giving up their homes and careers and leaving behind family and friends. They are ever present, from those agonizing early days in intensive care, through dozens of lifesaving operations and the months and years of both triumphs and setbacks during therapy and rehabilitation. Their commitment, like the wounds their children suffer, is lifelong. Unbreakable Bonds showcases the selfless love and support of the mothers who, like their wounded warriors, have been changed forever, and who have, without hesitation, sacrificed greatly for their country. They also find strength through the exclusive network of caregivers, who are there not only for their sons and daughters, but for each other as well. With forewords from former president George H. W. Bush and former Maryland congresswoman Connie Morella, this book will appeal to US service members and their loved ones—and those without ties to the military will gain appreciation for those who risk so much to serve our country. Skyhorse Publishing, as well as our Arcade imprint, are proud to publish a broad range of books for readers interested in history—books about World War II, the Third Reich, Hitler and his henchmen, the JFK assassination, conspiracies, the American Civil War, the American Revolution, gladiators, Vikings, ancient Rome, medieval times, the old West, and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

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This is storytelling at its profoundest. The stories, all of them, are true. The stories, all of them, feature heroes I recognized immediately and heroes who required an introduction because they have done nothing to attract my attention. Our wounded warriors are honored and celebrated wherever heroism and love of country are honored and celebrated. I myself saw many of these young men and women when I consulted at Walter Reed. Their youth, their wounds, and their struggle affected me as few sights ever have. I felt anger at what they had obviously lost, sorrow at the difficult path to recovery, and pride that they were fellow citizens willing to give so much for my freedom. What I failed to take note of during my time at Walter Reed were the women I often saw sitting beside the soldiers. Authors Kevin Ferris and Dava Guerin noticed, thank the Lord, and dubbed these courageous women The Mighty Moms of Walter Reed. Each story recounts the treacherous journeys these women have taken and often are still taking to return health, strength, and purpose to their sons' bodies and spirits. As the narrative unfolds in tale after tale, the first shock to hit the reader is the enormity of the sacrifice made by the Moms who literally leave their lives behind, travel to Walter Reed, and do whatever is necessary to care for their recently wounded children. Their commitment is not only vital, it is fierce, uncompromising, and extraordinarily effective. Here are women of various backgrounds and situations flying into an utterly foreign environment to accompany their own son or daughter from a life-altering explosion on the battlefield to a reconstituted life back home.

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