

When You Say Your Prayers



Dear friends,

As the year draws to a close I want to thank you for your gracious support of our military personnel and their families.

I have attached a photo as a prayer reminder, for you. When you look at the picture you'll see two Minnesota Army National Guard soldiers who are serving in Afghanistan. They are father and son. I think the look on their faces tell you so much about the 3500 Minnesotans who will be combat zones this holiday season. Look closely and you see proud men who are at peace with their mission. You can see the bond of a father and son as well as the bond of two warriors.

What you can't see is that the young man on the right has a new born baby at home that he was privileged to see born when he was home on mid-tour leave recently. You can't see the pain and loneliness both he and his wife are feeling being separated. You can't see the strain on the spouse waiting for the soldier on the left. This is her third deployment.

So when you hear 'the war is over'...it isn't. And when you bow to pray with your family this holiday season, would you say a prayer for thousands of Minnesota families who are sacrificing their holidays so that we can enjoy ours in peace?

God bless,
CH Morris, Minnesota Nat'l Guard