

Project Linus of East Tennessee is honored to be able to participate in a national effort to get blankets to the children of wounded soldiers returning to the United States. PLET has sent blankets both to Patrick Air Force Base in Florida and to Fort Richardson in Alaska.

THANK YOU!! From the bottom of my heart - and as a military member - you all have been so wonderful to not only our military children in their time of need with the death of their military parent or sibling - but to all of the returning veterans and their families! I have many stories to share with you all, and I'll have pictures for you on 5 November (following the Welcome Home, Vets and Operation Stand Up event here in Melbourne, FL). Please know that you have touched the lives of over 300 families and individuals serving our country, so far. I have had the honor of delivering the blankets to civil engineers, security forces, injured airmen and soldiers who are now being released from Walter Reed, and newborn infants and children who have sacrificed for our nation, too.

I love the fact that you all care enough about the human being, and don't let politics get in your way. Again - thank you!!

One quick story: a returning soldier, on crutches, due to the shrapnel in her legs, had tears in her eyes as she found a blanket for her child. She said that she was so touched that people who didn't even know her cared about her and her family and that she was speechless with gratitude! Later, she said that her own community (hometown) didn't really seem to notice her and Project Linus was such a wonderful outpouring of love for her. You made her day!!

Sincerely,
Lt Col Judy Mathewson, USAF
Patrick AFB, FL

The following pictures were taken in Florida when the last round of wounded military members returned home. They selected blankets that they could then give to their children.

