

MSG Daniel Hendrix (Active)



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Current Location:

Colorado Springs, Colorado



MOS/Current Occupation:

79R (Recruiter); 14S (Avenger Crew Member)

Warrior Transition Unit:

Warrior Transition Battalion, Fort Carson, Colorado

Hometown:

Akron, Ohio

School(s):

Manchester High School, Ohio; Post University, Connecticut (BA)

Events training for:

Wheelchair Basketball, Seated Volleyball, Swimming, Track

Injury or Illness:

Injured in a skydiving accident

Master Sgt. Daniel Hendrix's life changed in 2012 when he was injured in a skydiving accident. After a year of medical treatment, doctors were forced to amputate his leg.

During his recovery in Texas, Hendrix was introduced to wheelchair basketball through the Center for the Intrepid (CFI). "Adaptive sports have given me a level playing field after a life-changing injury," said Hendrix. "This is my opportunity to compete at a high level once again."

Now Hendrix is a member of the Denver Rolling Nuggets, a Colorado-based wheelchair basketball team. "Twenty-one years in the Army has made me very competitive," he said. "Through the Adaptive Reconditioning Program, I have the ability to still compete even though I am injured."

One of the keys to Hendrix's recovery is his family. "They have been my rock through all of my training," said Hendrix. "My brother has been there from the beginning. He put his job on hold and came down to help me in my recovery."

Hendrix's long-term goal is to invest more of himself in the Adaptive Reconditioning Program. "I find the more I invest in sports the better I feel, physically and mentally."

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