

Being deployed changes you

Owen: You know, when you get deployed, I tell all my soldiers this. That it changes you. Whether it be good or for bad, it doesn't matter. It's gonna change you. Everyone's gonna continue living their life once you leave and when you come back, you're gonna pick up with your life at that point, whereas everyone is gonna be farther down the road and you're gonna have to catch up to them. A lot of my soldiers are like "Oh that's crazy, there's no way." And sure enough, that's the way it is. There's nothing you can do about it. People are gonna move on with their lives. You're gonna have to go for a year or more elsewhere and you're just gonna have to learn to deal with it. You'll have to learn how to get to somebody's house again, you're gonna have to learn where, you know, "hey this store is closed or that one's opened" and it's just something you're gonna have to deal with. And a lot of people don't understand how much it's gonna change their lives. As long as they know that beforehand I think that would help a lot of people out.

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