

**PATIOS FOR PATRIOTS TO SURPRISE
VIETNAM VETERAN**

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NEWCOMERSTOWN, OHIO - To thank a deserving veteran for his service, Patios for Patriots will transform 69-year-old Edwin "Bud" Rawling, Jr. and his wife's modest backyard into an inviting outdoor living area. The all-expenses-paid backyard makeover at 2215 Gravel Lick Road, Newcomerstown, Ohio began the week of September 11, 2017, and will be revealed at 12:00pm on Saturday, September 23, 2017, when he sees his new patio for the first time.

Rawling enlisted in the Marine Corp. during his senior year of high school. Upon entering the military and completing his basic training, Rawling was shipped overseas to fight in the Vietnam War. His time in Vietnam ended when, while in action, he stepped on a landmine which then exploded. Rawling awoke from the blast in the intensive care unit of a military hospital only to find that both of his legs had been amputated due to the severity of his injuries. For this, Rawling was awarded the Purple Heart. Despite his injuries and the resulting surgeries that occurred, Rawling has remained positive and active in life.

Patios for Patriots, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) company, was formed solely to honor and thank this country's brave men and women for their service. The organization consists completely of volunteers and contractors who donate their time and energy to perform the work.

Why patios, you may ask? "To that we say, 'Why not?'" said Jason Geiser, one of the organization's Co-Founders. "Our veterans selflessly give of themselves through serving our country and we think they deserve a special thank you for that service. This is our way of saying thanks by doing what we do best – designing and constructing concrete patios for residential homes."

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