

## **PATIOS FOR PATRIOTS TO MAKE OVER BACKYARD FOR WORLD WAR II VETERAN**

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

CANTON, OHIO – To thank a deserving veteran for his service, Patios for Patriots will transform 93-year-old James Simmons and his wife’s modest backyard into an inviting outdoor living area. The all-expenses-paid backyard makeover at 3010 9<sup>th</sup> St. SW in Canton will begin Tuesday, June 6, and be revealed at noon Saturday, June 10, when the Simmons return home after being away since Thursday.

Simmons, a World War II Army veteran, began his military training on his 19<sup>th</sup> birthday. He went on to serve in Belgium, France and England during the war and supplied ammo to Gen. George Patton’s brigade. He received two bronze service stars for his bravery at Omaha and Utah beaches during the Normandy Invasion.

For this project, David Capestrain, owner of Concrete Designs by Audrey in Canton, has volunteered to be the “Project General” and will lead his crew as they add a new set of back door steps and install a decorative concrete patio complete with landscaping and new outdoor furniture, courtesy of Patios for Patriots. Diversified Ready Mix in Tallmadge is donating the concrete. A crew from Deco-Crete Supply in Orrville will assist with the makeover.

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. Spearheaded by Jason Geiser, owner of Deco-Crete Supply, it is an effort focused on designing and constructing concrete patios for residences nationwide. The organization consists completely of volunteers and contractors who donate their time and energy to perform the work. One hundred percent of all donated funds go to pay for patio projects.

Why patios, you may ask? “To that we say, ‘Why not?’” said Geiser. “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.”

For more information, visit [www.patiosforpatriots.org](http://www.patiosforpatriots.org).

Previous Project Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3e\\_bWtrJjw4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3e_bWtrJjw4)

2 Photos: James Simmons, backyard before

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wndavv3qskctu9h/AADtQlcbfa5de2ouQ22hmI5a?dl=0>

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