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**Christopher Clemens
United States Navy
Track and Field
Chula Vista, CA**

Christopher Clemens competed in three track and field events at the London Paralympic Games. Christopher served in the Navy for nine years and was injured while supporting a team of Navy SEALs in Afghanistan.



(Photo courtesy of Billings Gazette)

**Dugie Denton
United States Army
Archery
Joliet, MT**

Dugie Denton beat two opponents in early rounds of the individual compound archery competition at the London Paralympic Games. He was injured during Operation Desert Storm. Dugie deals with effects from Traumatic Brain Injury, has reduced balance from a ruptured eardrum, and has a plate in his ankle after being shot during his service in the US Army.



(Photo courtesy of Team USA)

Will Groulx
United States Navy
Rugby (Bronze, 2004; Gold, 2008)
Portland, OR

Will Groulx won a Bronze medal in wheelchair rugby at the London Paralympic Games. Will won his first (Bronze) and second (Gold) Paralympic medals at the 2004 Athens and 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games.



Photo courtesy of USA Shooting

**Eric Hollen
United States Army
Shooting
Colorado Springs, CO**

Eric Hollen competed in two shooting events at the London Paralympic Games. Eric, a former Army Ranger and Special Forces weapons specialist, suffered a life-altering injury on his Tennessee farm. He served in the US Army for nine years.



(Photo courtesy of ABC News)

Rob Jones
United States Marine Corps
Rowing (Bronze, 2012)
Lovettsville, PA

Rob Jones won a Bronze medal in mixed rowing at the London Paralympic Games in 2012. Rob lost both of his legs after being injured by an improvised explosive device in Helmand, Afghanistan.



(Photo courtesy of Department of Veterans Affairs)

**Angela Madsen
United States Marine Corps
Track and Field (Bronze, 2012)
Long Beach, CA**

Angela Madsen, who is paralyzed below the waist, won a Bronze medal in women's shot put at London Paralympic Games. Angela placed seventh in rowing at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games and has set six Guinness World Records.



(Photo courtesy of the Department of Defense)

**Centra Mazyck
United States Army
Track and Field
Charleston, SC**

Centra Mazyck competed in the women's javelin throw during the London Paralympic Games. Centra's spinal cord was damaged during a parachute jump, and she is paralyzed from the waist down. Doctors told Centra she would never walk again, but after vigorous rehabilitation she can walk short distances with a cane.



(Photo courtesy of the Washington Times)

Kari Miller
United States Army
Volleyball (Silver, 2012; Silver, 2008)
Washington, DC

Kari Miller won her second Silver medal in women's sitting volleyball at the London Paralympic Games. Her first was at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games. Kari enrolled in the US Army during high school and began basic training immediately following graduation. She lost both legs after being struck by a drunk driver after returning from Bosnia.



(Photo courtesy of the U.S. Army)

**SFC. Joshua Olson
United States Army, Purple Heart Recipient
Shooting
Fort Benning, GA**

Joshua Olson competed in two shooting events at the London Paralympic Games. He received a Purple Heart for injuries caused by a rocket-propelled grenade when his unit was ambushed in Iraq nine years ago. He currently serves in a marksmanship unit at Fort Benning. SFC. Olson also helped develop an innovative prosthesis, “The Olson Socket,” that helps fellow wounded warriors. Olson, who enlisted at age 17, is the first active-duty American soldier to compete in the games.



(Photo courtesy of Crank Cycling)

Steve Peace
United States Navy
Cycling
Albio, CA

Steve Peace competed in two road cycling events at the London Paralympic Games. Steve suffered a stroke, paralyzing the right side of his body, while serving in the Navy and today can be found racing on the para cycling circuit.



(Photo courtesy of Yahoo!)

Corporal Rene Renteria
United States Marine Corps
Soccer
San Fernando, CA

Rene Renteria, a radar repairman, competed on the men's para soccer team at the London Paralympic Games. Cpl. Renteria's head was crushed in a car accident in 2011, but he emerged from a three week coma. Previously, Rene competed on the All-Marine and All-Armed Forces teams.



(Photo Courtesy of The Moderate Voice)

**Mario Rodriguez
United States Air Force
Fencing
Port Hueneme, CA**

Mario Rodriguez competed in the men's individual foil at the London Paralympic Games. Mario previously competed in the 1996, 2000, and 2004 Paralympic Games. Mario served as a Russian translator for nearly four years in the Air Force. He elected to remove his leg in 1992 after the discovery of an untreatable tumor.



(Photo courtesy of Zimbio)

Oz Sanchez
United States Marine Corps
Cycling (Gold, Bronze, 2012; Gold, Bronze, 2008)
San Diego, CA

Oz Sanchez won a Gold and Bronze medal in the para cycling team relay at the London Paralympic Games. These are his third and fourth Paralympic medals. Oz won a Gold and Bronze in para cycling events at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games. Oz served in the Marine Corps Special Forces for six years. Oz became paralyzed from a motorcycle crash.



(Photo courtesy of AL.com)

Jennifer Schuble
United States Army
Cycling (Silver, Bronze, 2012; Gold, 2 Silver, 2008)
Birmingham, AL

Jennifer Schuble suffered a traumatic brain injury during hand-to-hand combat training at the US Military Academy, which a later car accident exacerbated. Additionally, Jennifer was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 2004. She won a Silver and Bronze medal in road and track cycling at the London Paralympic Games. Jennifer also won a Gold medal, two Silver medals, and set two world records at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games.



(Photo courtesy of Zimbio)

**Scott Severn
United States Army
Track and Field (Bronze, 2012)
Unionville, MI**

Scott Severn won a Bronze medal in men's shot put at the London Paralympic Games.

Scott was struck by lightning while on duty and is an incomplete quadriplegic. He currently serves as the Sports Director for the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America.



(Photo courtesy of Zimbio)

**Jerry Shields
United States Army
Archery
Jacksonville, FL**

Jerry Shields competed in the men's individual compound archery event at the London Paralympic Games. Jerry, a former Army Staff Sergeant and National Guard crew chief, suffered a major stroke that paralyzed his right side. He uses his mouth to pull back his bowstring.



(Photo courtesy of GoSanAngelo.com)

**Gavin Sibayan
United States Army
Soccer
Westminster, CO**

Gavin Sibayan competed on the men's 7-a-side soccer team at the London Paralympic Games. Gavin received a Purple Heart following an improvised explosive device attack on his convoy in Iraq. He now suffers from Traumatic Brain Injury and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.



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**Lieutenant Bradley Snyder
United States Navy
Swimming (2 Gold, Silver, 2012)
St. Petersburg, FL**

Lieutenant Snyder won two Gold medals and one Silver in the men's 400m, 100m, and 50m respectively during the London Paralympic Games. In 2011, Bradley lost his vision to an improvised explosive device while serving in Afghanistan.



(Photo courtesy of MarineCorpsTimes.com)

**Scott Winkler
United States Army
Track and Field (US Record, 2008)
Pittsburgh, PA**

Scott Winkler competed in men's shot put at the London Paralympic Games. Scott placed fifth in shot put during the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games, and set the American record. While deployed in Iraq, Scott severely injured his spinal cord and is paralyzed from the waist down.



(Photo courtesy of MilitaryTimes.com)

Russell Wolfe
United States Army
Archery
Edmond, OK

Russell Wolfe competed in the men's individual recurve archery event at the London Paralympic Games. Russell qualified for Team USA in 2008 but was unable to participate in Beijing. Today he actively mentors other veterans who are recovering from physical injuries.