

“Hoping America Will Be Proud of Me”

As the luminous sun rises up to start a new day, the last bullet is heard. Suddenly, the air is filled with silence. The ragged and worn out American flag still waves proudly in the warm summer sunshine. Though many lives were lost, the American soldiers cheered; they had won the American Revolution. These American soldiers were proud of their country and fought to keep it. Abraham Lincoln once said, “I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him.” As I reflect on all of the battles and victories that our country has gone through to remain free, I realize just how lucky and proud I am to be an American.

Even as our country goes through good times and bad, I continue to stay proud. America’s history is rich and full of patriotic acts; however, for me witnessing the tragedy of September eleventh personally made me understand how great our nation is. I am proud to say that even on that tragic day, many brave American’s worked together to help each other. By seeing neighbors being friendlier, it has made me an even prouder citizen. Being an American means helping one another in a time of crisis. Whether it is coming together during events such as September eleventh or having our brave soldiers fighting and risking their lives for us and freedom, this is what America is about. Men and women willing to do the “right” thing for our nation. Are you proud of your country? I know I am.

Having this gift of freedom, I will continue to be a very proud citizen of America and never take this gift for granted. Everything that I cherish: my family, my friends, and my life would not exist without our country’s freedom. Each and every day, men and women risk their lives to fight for ours. These men and women are veterans. Without veterans and the proud citizens of America, our country would not be a country of freedom. Am I proud of my country? Yes, I plan on giving back to my country so that my country will be proud of me.

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