



NATIONAL VETERANS GOLDEN AGE GAMES

Local Competitor Profile

William Fair – Competing for Those Around Him

As a tribute to the rehabilitation services he has received, as well as the physicians, nurses and therapists that worked with him, William Fair hopes to “win four medals - four gold medals preferably,” at this year’s National Veterans Golden Age Games. “I am doing this for you guys, for all you have done for me.” When asked what drives him in preparation for this year’s competition, it’s all about repaying what he considers to be a debt of gratitude.

Fair is a recent amputee and received strength and prosthetic training at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis through the hospital’s rehabilitation unit. He was in rehabilitation for approximately 40 days, which resulted in his ability to remain living independently in a cottage home near a lake in Monticello, Indiana.

He rates the care on rehabilitation unit, and at the Roudebush Medical Center as a whole, as “superb.” “It is probably one of the top three hospitals in the country,” Fair said with confidence. He should know, as he was stationed at various military hospitals for the majority of his time of service. He then was able to use his military and medical knowledge to develop a rewarding career as an insurance salesperson. “From my military background and medical knowledge, I was able to relate to so many people because I could understand the issue and what was going on,” he added.

Attributing his strong sense of patriotism to his time in military service, Fair is looking forward to being able to once again relate and talk to those veterans who will be in Indianapolis for the Games. Fair was able to experience the Games last year in Houston and had a “wonderful time.” “It is great to get away, compete a little and get to know so many wonderful people doing wonderful things,” Fair said.

Let’s wish Fair good luck and success at this year’s Golden Age Games in Indianapolis as he goes for the gold!

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