

Participant Profile (Local)

Eldon Miller Army Veteran of the Vietnam Era 58 years old Kolona, Iowa

Eldon Miller has not only participated in the National Veterans TEE Tournament every year since its inception, he helped create it.

Miller grew up on a farm and has always loved the outdoors. After he was injured during a training accident in July 1974, he was left legally blind and searching for new ways to stay active.

It wasn't until years later that he heard about the National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic, an annual rehabilitation event held in Colorado each year for Veterans with a variety of disabilities. He has participated in every year since the first Clinic in 1987.

This sparked Miller's inspiration to create an event now known as the National Veterans TEE Tournament, which he also attends every year.



Being one of the four founders of this annual program, Miller has had the pleasure of watching it grow over the years into the national event it has become today, with Veterans attending from across the United States.

This event allows Miller and other Veterans with disabilities to share each other's company and exchange ideas about how to deal with the daily challenges they face.

Before this event, Miller never considered himself a golfer, but now he practices throughout the year to maintain his skills and improve his game. He enjoys everything about the TEE Tournament and believes that the more people who attend, the better it will become.

"Don't ever say you can't do something unless you try first," said Miller.