

## Revere Alumnus Aaron Hale ('96)—Recovering From a Bomb Blast

Aaron Hale is a U.S. Army sergeant and is part of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal (760th). December 8<sup>th</sup> he was badly injured trying to defuse a bomb in Afghanistan—he was hit with shrapnel, had all his facial bones broken, fractured his skull, tore his eardrums, and has permanent blindness.

He is currently at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and will be for the immediate future due to rehabilitation and several surgeries still ahead for him. After his surgeries, he will be moving to Tampa, Florida where he will continue to rehabilitation.

He and his family are going to face a number of challenges moving forward and there are a several opportunities for the Revere Community to assist Aaron and his family:

- Donations can be made at any First Merit: Sgt. Aaron C. Hale Benevolent Fund.
- Springside Racquet and Fitness Club will be sponsoring two events to benefit Aaron—a reverse raffle @ Rosemont Country Club (February 25) and a racquetball tournament @ Springside (March 26<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>).

### Further articles/information about Aaron:

- Facebook Updates (Authored by Aaron's Sister Paige Hale): [www.facebook.com/events/174690072628808](http://www.facebook.com/events/174690072628808)
- Fairlawn-Bath Patch: <http://fairlawn-bath.patch.com/articles/bath-native-aaron-hale-recovering-from-bomb-blast>
- Channel 5: [www.newsnet5.com/dpp/news/local\\_news/akron\\_canton\\_news/akron-native-injured-in-afghanistan-recovering-at-walter-reed-national-military-medical-center](http://www.newsnet5.com/dpp/news/local_news/akron_canton_news/akron-native-injured-in-afghanistan-recovering-at-walter-reed-national-military-medical-center)



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