

RADIO ROUNDUP

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SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY A LAND MINE IN VIETNAM, THOMAS MILLER LOST HIS SIGHT BUT NOT HIS DRIVE. DURING FIVE MONTHS OF HOSPITALIZATION, HE WONDERED HOW HE COULD SUPPORT A FAMILY AND JUST WHAT, IF ANYTHING, THE FUTURE COULD HOLD FOR HIM AS A BLIND PERSON. THANKS TO A WORLD-CLASS REHABILITATION PROGRAM HE ATTENDED AT THE HINES, ILLINOIS VETERANS AFFAIRS HOSPITAL SHORTLY AFTER HIS RECOVERY, THE DESPERATION WAS ONLY TEMPORARY. MILLER, LIKE MANY BLINDED VETERANS, DISCOVERED HIS LIFE'S WORK AND GAINED THE CONFIDENCE TO PURSUE IT THROUGH EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE. HE EVENTUALLY SPENT TWENTY-SIX YEARS DIRECTING THE WORK OF THE BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION, OR B-V-A, THE VERY ORGANIZATION THAT PERSUADED CONGRESS AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH IN THE LATE 1940s TO ESTABLISH THE V-A PROGRAM THAT CHANGED HIS LIFE. MILLER VISITED CONGRESS HUNDREDS OF TIMES IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF BLINDED VETERANS AND THEIR POTENTIAL. FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW B-V-A HELPS LINK VETERANS WITH THE SERVICES THEY'VE EARNED, CALL 800--6-6-9--7-0-7-9 OR VISIT B-V-A--DOT--ORG.