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### Veterans Day

On December 7, 1941, tragedy struck our country when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. Many people died, were hurt, or were left in utter despair, with no one to turn to - but the American soldiers were there. When our country has been threatened with the many casualties of war, men and women stood up and fought for us. These are the men and women who served in the military: Army, Navy, Air Force and the Coast Guard. These men and women are heroes.

When the country has been in its darkest moments, with its people cowering in fear, American's strongest and greatest people stood up to fight. They fought for our rights. They fought against the horrors that others try to inflict on us. They fought against all who try to put us in danger, and I personally thank them for that. The honor they received is nothing compared to what they should have received. You simply came home and then went immediately back to work. Now, long past its time, we thank you; the citizens who selflessly put down their lives for the people in our country. A million thanks cannot express the gratitude our country should show to you.

As a child I was often praised for simple things; saying please and thank you, getting an A on a test, making friends, etc. But our heroes outshine anything and A on a test could show. I've never had to fight for my safety. I've never had to put my life out into the unknown. Everyone should strive for victory

and I think you have already achieved that. We need to thank you for all you are. You are heroes, you are honorable. You are Veterans and I, on behalf of all America, thank you. Thank you for keeping me and my freedom safe.