

Ryan Hendrix and family saluted for Operation Fan Mail

GREEN BAY, Wis.—Nov. 26, 2015—The [Green Bay Packers](#) and [Arise Health Plan](#) paid special tribute to Chief Warrant Officer 3 Ryan Hendrix and his family during Thursday's Packers-Bears game for Operation Fan Mail.

Hendrix, originally from Bonner, Mont., has served in the U.S. Army for 20 years, and has been deployed three times, once to Iraq and twice to Afghanistan. Throughout his career, he has been stationed in Kentucky, Arkansas, Washington, Colorado, New York and Germany, all the while supporting the Packers from afar. He is currently stationed at Detroit Arsenal in Warren, Mich.

As Field Logistics Manager, he's responsible for providing day-to-day logistics support to the field, including sending out technical publications, maintenance messages, technical bulletins and safety of use messages. During his career, Hendrix has received numerous personal awards, service ribbons, unit awards and badges, including the Combat Action Badge, which recognizes soldiers who engage with or are engaged by the enemy.

Hendrix attended Thursday's game, his first time seeing a game at Lambeau Field, with his wife, Jennifer, his son, Riley, and his sister-in-law, Jamie.

Operation Fan Mail, which debuted in 2007, is designed to recognize families with a member who is on active duty. The Packers and Arise Health Plan will host a family at each 2015 home game and recognize them on the field during pregame activities. A total of 83 individuals or families have been recognized through the program thus far.

To choose families, the Packers and Arise Health Plan are asking interested families, or friends of eligible families, to submit an essay, 500 words or less, on why a particular fan should be saluted. Essays can be sent to: Operation Fan Mail, P.O. Box 10628, Green Bay, WI, 54307-0628. Essays also can be submitted to the Packers online at http://nfl.packers.com/gameday/gameday_promotions/operation_fan_mail/.

In addition to being recognized on-field prior to the game, selected families receive four tickets to the game and a care package from Arise Health Plan. Families intended for recognition are those that have a member serving on active duty. The family member can be a spouse, mother, father, son, daughter or sibling.

PHOTO CAPTION: Standing on the field for the Operation Fan Mail presentation are (left to right) Chief Warrant Officer 3 Ryan Hendrix; son, Riley; wife, Jennifer; and sister-in-law, Jamie Roe. (Photo by Katie Hermsen/Green Bay Packers)

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