



"You don't get to pick your circumstances. It's your obligation to be your best no matter what you're asked to do." - Lieutenant Colonel Greg Gadson

Lieutenant Colonel **Greg Gadson** has survived the very worst of war, but this highly decorated American soldier has not been defeated by unfortunate circumstance; instead, his life is a portrait of courage in the face of great adversity. Gadson understands that hard work and determination are key factors in overcoming life-altering setbacks. His biggest challenge happened in Iraq when an IED attack led to both of his legs being amputated above the knees. For anyone else, this might have been a defining moment, but he refused to be defined by the proverbial "hail of bullets."

Gadson speaks with fervor about the crucial role teamwork and camaraderie play when facing life's obstacles. He applies his story of personal adversity to every level of an organization, showing how every team depends on every one of its players. The lessons he imparts are not just words; his life was saved by the application of these same lessons. As an Army commander, he has been responsible for the lives of his men, and thanks to the training, preparedness, and professionalism he teaches and practices--his life was saved by those same men. Perhaps no one understands the value of teamwork better than Lieutenant Colonel Greg Gadson.

A highly decorated lieutenant colonel, Gadson commanded the 2nd Battalion, 32nd Field Artillery in Iraq. He's served in every major conflict of the last two decades, including Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm (Kuwait), Operation Joint Forge (Bosnia-Herzegovina), Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan), and Operation Iraqi Freedom (Iraq). His awards include the Bronze Star (3),...

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