



The Josh Dog Project

What are these "Josh Dogs" all about?

Canine therapy dogs have been around for years and oft an comfort patient's in hospitals with their unconditional love. As an extension to that mission, the Josh and Friends Project emerged by introducing children to the book "I'll Be OK" and a cuddly stuffed animal named Josh. The goal was to help children overcome the overwhelming anxiety of a hospital stay.

The story of "Josh" originated when a veterinarian from Tennessee was frustrated by the lack of materials available to help explain surgery to young children as patients. His daughter was undergoing a tonsillectomy and he was concerned with her anxiety level. In 1999 he wrote a story called "I'll Be OK" about a fictitious dog named Josh, his surgery, and his adventure toward getting well again.

Each "I'll Be OK" book comes with a cuddly "Josh" dog in its own cardboard dog house.

There is nothing like seeing the face of a child who receives this plush "Josh" dog while in the hospital. Many parents report that it becomes their child's best friend for years to come.

The GI Josh Program started as a connection between the Detachment of Arizona Sons, the Child Welfare Foundation (CWF) and Josh Dogs group. This was created to bring some level of comfort to children of deployed servicemen and servicewomen. Children struggle with separation issues when parents are deployed and the whole "I'll Be OK" piece is helpful here as well. Children do learn coping mechanisms and skills through the story/book that features Josh and his friend Smudge.

The Sons of The American Legion have been supporting the Josh Dogs Project as well as the GI Josh Dogs for many years now. We encourage every squadron and detachment to pick up the challenge and purchase a Josh Dog to give out at a nearby children's hospital or purchase a GI Josh Dog and get it to a deployed military member's child. We guarantee that once you do it you will be sold on the program's impact on that young life and be back to support it again and again.

Have one Josh Dog kit at your Post it will spark interest and people will order them to even give them to give to their own military relatives, deployed families, etc.

Everyone that has ever given out a Josh Dog kit is aware of the look on the child's face that is priceless and immediate connection that is made. Get involved at your level and promote this excellent and truly fulfilling Sons Program. You will be amazed at the personal impact!

The dog and book are available for a special American Legion rate of \$26.00 as a set from the website <http://www.joshandfriends.com> or calling 1-877-455-2365. The normal cost for anyone else ordering the dog and book kits is \$39.95 each, Legion has a special rate and arrangement

with them. You can also purchase a GI Josh Dog shirt through the Detachment of Arizona and the form is also attached.

The contact at Josh and Friends is:

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Websites: www.joshandfriends.com and [also info@joshandfriends.com](mailto:info@joshandfriends.com) they also have a Facebook presence as well. I am attaching an order form below



American Legion Order Form

Date Ordered:

Date Shipped:

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INFORMATION

Contact Name:	Title:	
Company / Organization:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Shipping Address:	Commercial	Residential
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	FAX:	E-mail:

ORDER INFORMATION

#Kits Per Carton	Cartons Ordered	Cost Per Carton	Ground Shipping	Order Total
10		\$260.00	per 10-pack carton	\$
4		\$104.00	per 4-pack carton	\$
2		\$52.00	per 2-pack carton	\$
1		\$26.00	per single carton	\$

Subtotal

Shipping

Total

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Credit Card Number	
Mastecardi Visa (Amer Ex / Discover.	Expiration Date:
Name as it Appears on Card:	Signature:
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Shipping and Handling

	Per 10 Pack	Per 4 Pack	Per Single or 2-Pack
Eastern Time Zone	\$23.00	\$13.00	\$10.00
Central Time Zone	\$28.00	\$14.00	\$11.00
Mountain Time	\$36.00	\$16.00	\$12.00
Pacific Time Zone	\$42.00	\$17.00	\$13.00

Shipping information: Shipping will be either by UPS or motorized ground freight. Shipping costs are based on purchaser's time zone and must be added per ease or per single unit to the order total. Any orders requiring motorized ground freight will be invoiced for all shipping charges. Final method of shipment will be the most economical means determined W the number of cases ordered. All pricing subject to change. Orders must ship to a street address, not a P.O. Box.

Sales Tax: Tennessee residents add 9.25% state sales tax to the final order total If purchaser is eligible for tax exemption, the appropriate tax exemption form and I.D. number must be submitted to JOSLICOJA.0 when the initial order is placed.

Look for Josh-and-Friends on Facebook.