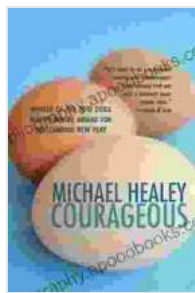


# Courageous Michael Healey: A True American Hero

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After the war, Healey returned home a hero. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, and he was given a ticker-tape parade in New

York City. Healey used his newfound fame to speak out against the war and to help other veterans. He also became a successful businessman and a motivational speaker.

Michael Healey died in 2015 at the age of 71. He is survived by his wife, two children, and four grandchildren. He is remembered as one of the most courageous and decorated soldiers in American history.

### **Healey's Early Life and Career**

Michael Healey was born in 1944 in a small town in Pennsylvania. He was the son of a coal miner and a homemaker. Healey grew up in a working-class family and learned the value of hard work and perseverance.

Healey was a bright and athletic child. He excelled in school and was a star athlete. He was also a natural leader and was always willing to help others.

After graduating from high school, Healey attended college for a year. However, he soon decided to drop out and join the Army. He was eager to serve his country and to make a difference in the world.

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Healey continued to serve in Vietnam until 1970, when he was wounded again. He was discharged from the Army in 1971.

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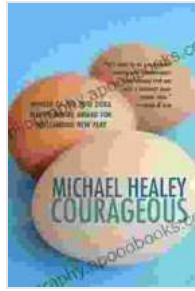
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Michael Healey was a true American hero. He was a brave and skilled soldier who fought for his country and for what he believed in. He was also a kind and compassionate man who helped others throughout his life.

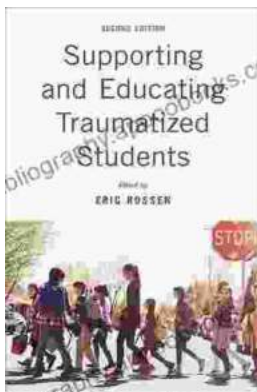
Healey's story is an inspiration to us all. It shows us that anything is possible if we have the courage to follow our dreams and to never give up.

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