

Grease Slinger Cycles Motorcycle Giveaway

Back in June we told you about how Grease Slinger Cycles was going to give away a motorcycle as a Thank You to a Veteran. Grease Slinger's owner Cliff put the word out that any Vet who served in the military and was honorably discharged and any active-duty personnel were eligible to be nominated. Yes, that was part of the deal... someone had to nominate their Vet or GI, explaining in a letter why they felt their nominee deserved to be given this motorcycle. Another part of the deal was that the winner should be kept in the dark until the presentation was made; with the winner being announced just

before Veterans Day.

The Veteran's Giveaway Bike, bought & built by Grease Slinger Cycles, is a 2000 HD Sportster; which Cliff gave a full end-to-end service. He added custom bars, polished lower legs, & a new seat

The custom paint job was donated by Mike Ysco of YSCO's Kreative Touch Body & Paint in Mesa AZ [480-818-0341, meysco@msn.com]. The custom pinstriping was added by Efrain 'Bugs' Gonzales of Bugs Auto Art in Mesa AZ [602-299-1246, bugs@bugsautoart.com].

Well, the presentation was made at the monthly

Motorcycles on Main event in Mesa on the first Friday in November ~ on the 7th. Cliff commented that building the bike was far easier than it would be to stand up in front of a bunch of people to make the presentation. But he did just fine ☺

The winner was Frank Gomez. On this page is the letter that his wife Sarah sent to nominate her husband. Congratulations Frank. Ride the bike in good health & enjoy the freedom of the road.

Bruce & Betsy



I am writing this letter to talk about my loving husband Frank Gomez and why he deserves to win the Harley Davidson. My husband Frank Gomez was a Combat Engineer with 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division from 2004-2008. He had 2 Deployments to Iraq including Fallujah, Ramadi, and Al Asad. He was blown up four times with 3 IED's and 1 RPG including once on Christmas of 2006 as well as numerous firefights while he was in the States and wasn't deployed he was a marksmanship and Sapper training instructor for 1st CEB. Below are all the accomplishments and awards he received in the Marine Corps. My husband is a loving father as well a great husband. We have a little boy that is eight years old. He has always been a hardworker and his family is number one in his life. I am so proud of him and I hope this little letter shows that he is a great Veteran and is proud of his country. Right now Frankie is deployed in Kosovo where he is doing a civilian contract with the military. Even though Frank is out of the service he continues to serve his country as a civilian. He will be returning to the states on June 25th, 2014.

Accomplishments and Awards:

- Over 150 route clearance convoys looking for roadside bombs and escorting other units of Army and Marines around Al Anbar province in Iraq.
- Urban Patrolling
- Weapons Cache Sweeps
- Combat Action Ribbon
- Presidential Unit Citation
- Good Conduct Medal
- Global War on Terror Medal
- National Defense Ribbon
- 2 Certificates of Commendation for actions performed in combat as well as being the Armory Manager.
- 2 Sea Service Deployment Ribbons
- Iraq Campaign Medal
- 2-time Rifle Expert Qualification (Marine Corps)
- Pistol Sharpshooter Qualification