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Spring Hill mayor presents Marine Corporal with military banner



SPRING HILL, Tenn. – After five years of loyal service as a U.S. Marine, Corporal Brandon Flores this week was presented with the military service banner that had hung along Kedron Parkway in his honor.

Spring Hill Mayor Rick Graham presented the banner to Flores in the mayor's City Hall office, where he and City Administrator Victor Lay and banner program administrator Amanda Knobloch thanked Flores for his service. Brandon was joined by his mother, Luann Flores, who initially signed up Brandon for the program.

Flores, 24, was honorably discharged in May 2013 from the U.S. Marine Corps, in which he had served since September 2008.

Flores was stationed two years in Okinawa, Japan, including a month in Korea; more than two years at Camp Pendleton in San Diego; and was deployed to Afghanistan between December 2011 and July 2012.

“It was a surprise to me. I have never had anything like that happen,” Flores said about being presented his own banner by the mayor. “I am honored to have the city where I went to high school present this to me. I never expected to have a banner with my face on it. It made my family proud.”

The Spring Hill Service Member Banner Program honors residents currently serving active duty in our nation’s military, or those who have paid the ultimate price. A custom banner displaying the service member’s name and photo is publicly displayed for up to two years or until the service member leaves the service of the military.

“I am extremely proud of Brandon Flores and it was my honor to personally present him with his banner, which was one of the first to go up in our city,” Mayor Rick Graham said. “It’s the least we can do to show our appreciation for the many local members of our military serving and protecting our country.”

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