

“If I am a hero, then every man who stands around me, every woman in the military, every person who defends this country is.”

—Staff Sergeant Sal Giunta
Medal of Honor Recipient



At Ease

*Trauma treatment and therapeutic support for active military, veterans and their loved ones,
provided by Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska.*

Media Update – Post-Event

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3rd Annual *At Ease* Fundraising and Awareness Luncheon Raises over \$225,000

February 2, 2012 –(Omaha, Nebraska) Nearly 650 attendees heard Medal of Honor recipient Sal Giunta (*June-ta*) speak during the 3rd Annual *At Ease* luncheon Monday, January 30 at the CenturyLink Center. Cindy and Mogens Bay served as honorary chairs. In addition, Admiral C.R. “Bob” Bell was honored with the first annual “At Ease Founders Award.”

Walter and Sue Scott, Mike and Gail Yanney, Ann and Ken Stinson, as well as Mayor Jim Suttle were also among those in attendance.

Giunta was the first living American to receive the Medal of Honor for actions that occurred since the Vietnam War. The Medal of Honor is the nation’s highest decoration for valor.

Proceeds from the event support *At Ease*, a trauma treatment and therapeutic support program that serves active military, veterans and their loved ones affected by untreated trauma reactions and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

At Ease USA, led by Scott Anderson of Omaha, is the founding organization of the *At Ease* program. At Ease USA reports raising over \$225,000 through this event. At Ease USA and Lutheran Family Services (LFS) have collaborated in the development and funding of *At Ease* services offered through LFS.

All active military, veterans and their loved ones are accepted into the *At Ease* program **regardless of ability to pay.**

Thousands of families of all faiths are served through Lutheran Family Services’ statewide programs and services in the areas of Behavioral Health, Children Services and Community Services. Behavioral Health Services focus on the needs of those who have experienced trauma, including outpatient mental health treatment, substance abuse/addictions treatment, 24/7 urgent care and emergency and community support services. To learn more about LFS services, visit www.lfsneb.org.