

Josh Bleill

Marine Corporal Josh Bleill graduated high school in Greenfield, Indiana, and attended Purdue University. He joined the Marine Corps Reserves in 2004 and was activated for a tour of duty in Iraq in 2006. Corporal Bleill was conducting combat patrols in Fallujah on October 15 of that year when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device. He suffered multiple injuries including the loss of both his legs.

Corporal Bleill moved home to Indiana in August 2008 and was married to his wife, Nikki, in 2009. He built a home in Carmel, Indiana and has recently joined the Indianapolis Colts as the Colts Community Spokesperson. One of his most recent duties as a member of the Colts organization was to co-author a book, **One Step at a Time: A Young Marine's Story of Courage, Hope, and a New Life in the NFL**, which further details Josh's journey from enlistment, onto active duty, through two years of rehab, and finally to his position with the Indianapolis Colts.