

Military Makeover with Montel® Season 44 Finale to Air this Winter, Honoring the Linn Family

Military Makeover with Montel® "Big Reveal" season finale is set to air on Lifetime TV on Friday, December 12th at 7:30 a.m. ET.

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-- Military Makeover with Montel®,
along with Official Non-Profit Partner,
Purple Heart Homes, and Season 44
Title Education Partner, Western
Governors University, is wrapping up



its 44th season, featuring the inspiring story of the Linn family of Hampton, NJ. The "Big Reveal" season finale is set to air on Lifetime TV on Friday, December 12th at 7:30 a.m. ET.

Inspired from an early age to join the military, Stephen Linn grew up in San Antonio, TX, on the



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stories of both his grandfathers' experiences in World War II as Navy and Air Force veterans. After high school and a brief time at the University of Texas at San Antonio, Stephen enlisted in the Army and trained at the Airborne School. After nearly a decade in service and deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, Stephen received two Valorous Unit Awards, the Army Commendation Medal, and was named a Distinguished Member of the 30th Infantry Regiment for his time as a rifleman, scout, and eventually sniper in the 10th Mountain Division.

Before completing his service in 2015, while stationed at West Point mentoring cadets, a day trip to New York City changed Stephen's life forever when he met Leah, who would become his wife, lifelong partner, and mother to their four children. Stephen transitioned to civilian life with a deepened sense of responsibility and now works as a nationally certified Critical Care Registered Nurse and as a Rapid Response Nurse – work he considers his calling. He continues to face the

mental effects of his time in combat, including PTSD, tinnitus, back pain, knee joint pain, and other chronic pain. His most challenging moments post-military came in 2023, when Stephen survived a motorcycle accident and two strokes. Sticking with him through it all, Leah helps anchor the family through their busy days and long-term recovery.

"I'm deeply inspired by Stephen Linn's continued service as a Critical Care Registered Nurse, giving selflessly to his community even while facing the challenges of PTSD," said Montel Williams, host of Military Makeover with Montel®. "It's an honor to support the Linn family and help create a home that reflects their incredible strength, dedication, and resilience."

With the help of Military Makeover with Montel and its trusted partners, the Linn family's home renovations will be revealed during the season 44 finale.

"The whole Military Makeover experience was incredible. Thank you to everyone who helped physically and behind the scenes to transform our home. We are forever grateful!" said Stephen and Leah Linn, season 44 featured family.

TUNE IN TO LIFETIME TV FOR THE SEASON 44 FINALE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12TH AT 7:30 A.M. ET!

Military Makeover with Montel®, A BrandStar Original, is America's leading branded reality TV show that offers hope and a helping hand here on the home front to members of our military and their loved ones. A veteran of both the Marine Corps and the Navy, talk show legend and military advocate Montel Williams, who creatively co-produces the show along with a colorful cast that seeks to transform the homes and lives of military families across the country. The cast includes co-hosts Art Edmonds and designerJennifer Bertrand. This special series enlists caring companies of all sizes, as well as non-profits and the local community. Military Makeover airs on Lifetime® and on the American Forces Network, which serves American servicemen and women, Department of Defense, and other U.S. government civilians and their families stationed at bases overseas, as well as U.S. Navy ships at sea. Help starts at home for veterans on Military Makeover. Join us as our makeover team engages to change the living situation – and the lives – of these deserving families.

Purple Heart Homes: Co-founded by two combat-wounded Veterans, Purple Heart Homes has been bringing communities together to provide safe, barrier-free housing solutions for qualified Veterans since its founding in 2008. A nonprofit organization based in Statesville, N.C., PHH supports service-connected disabled and senior Veterans from all eras across all 50 states and Puerto Rico through a growing network of local chapters. Programs include critical home repairs and renovations to help Veterans live independently in their homes, home ownership programs, and transitional housing through partnerships with other nonprofit organizations. Learn more at purplehearthomes.org.

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