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Dusty Hill info

Unit Commander Maj. Michael Kessel noted the absence of Dustin Hill at Saturday's ceremony at the Galva National Guard Armory. Hill is recuperating at the Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas. Hill returned to the United States after receiving serious injuries on Sept. 21, 2004 from a car bombing in Iraq.

"His stepfather is with us, David Kelm. He is the stepfather of Sgt. Dustin Hill," Kessel said, to another round of cheers and applause from the crowd.

Kessel will fly down to San Antonio on Wednesday to meet with Hill, of Wyanet, and his mother, Liz Kelm.

"I have to tell you that he looks fabulous. Yeah, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, he did a lot of damage and changed Dustin's life forever. But he did not damage the spirit of that young man. And he's a fighter. And he will accomplish great things the rest of his life," Kessel said.

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