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What would I sacrifice for the greater good of my country?

Seeing as how my father has been an Officer in the United States Air Force for my entire life, service to the United States has been an integral part of my growing up. I have witnessed firsthand the numerous sacrifices my father had to make for our country that not only affected him, but also his entire family. From the number of deployments my father was assigned I learned a crucial lesson that has shaped my life in an enormous way. My father's service to his country has shown me that serving the great United States is one of the most honorable and dignified vocations I could ever make.

Due to the military environment growing up, and the example my father set through his service to our nation, I have decided to dedicate my life to serving in the United States Armed Forces as well. This decision to serve may consist of duties that are high risk and often life threatening, as well as deployments that will take me away from my family for extended periods of time. Though there are many sacrifices that have to be made when dedicating one's life to the U.S. Armed Forces, I firmly believe that my service to this nation and its people will be the greatest reward possible for these sacrifices. I also know that one of the most respectful ways to show my gratitude to a/l of the Americans who have sacrificed, some giving their lives for our freedom, is to serve in a military that does exactly that.

For many years I have wanted to serve in the U.S. military, not only because of my family ties and the respect and appreciation veterans receive, but also because I've felt a calling to serve my nation, and I am certain that dedicating and sacrificing for the betterment of the United States and all nations is the medium in which I can best fulfill this calling