



Nicole Brown Bricker with her fellow Marines in Afghanistan.



Sgt. Nicole Brown Bricker



The Brown family. Niki with her parents and "big" brother Austin.

Thank You Key Largo from the Brown Family

My wife, Jeanne, and I would like to thank the many friends, neighbors, strangers and businesses in Key Largo and Islamorada that helped provide our daughter Nicole "Niki" (Brown) Bricker with hundreds of Christmas presents and care packages to be delivered by Nicole to her fellow Marines and soldiers at a Forward Operating Base (FOB) in Afghanistan. Niki volunteered to be the FOB Santa this Christmas Eve. She will make sure these gifts are hand delivered to every Marine and soldier at that base. Through your generosity over 200 packages are in the mail headed for Afghanistan.

Special recognition and warm wishes go to:

- VFW Post 10211, Key Largo
- American Legion, Key Largo
- Pilot House Restaurant and Marina
- Coconut Telegraph
- Pirateheads of West Palm Beach
- Key Lime Products
- Capt Pete's Banana Pepper Mustard
- Key Largo Painted Coconuts
- WR Systems
- Dolphin Research Center
- The OV
- Lazy Days Restaurant
- Key Largo Post Office
- Ables Tackle Shop
- Last Chance Saloon
- A youth group at Coral Shores High School
- Many, many individuals we haven't met

Special thanks must go out to the VFW Post who donated \$700 and to member Bob Stuart who handed out 500 flyers around town. Special thanks also goes to Pilot House Restaurant and Marina who matched "all donations and paid for the mailing of all the packages" to Afghanistan. Special thanks also to Piratesheads in West Palm who threw a party and raised 26 boxes of gifts. And to Ray and Jody Yu who's company WR Systems donated 55 boxes of gifts and paid for the postage. Also thank you to the many kind souls who donated and we don't know who you are.

And finally, to the unknown cashier at Publix who saw one of our donors buying food and asked what it was for and upon hearing it was for our troops told our donor "Honey, go get ten more cans and I'll pay for them." And she did. People of Key Largo are so wonderful. Thank you all for supporting our troops and helping them have a Merry Christmas in Afghanistan.

Merry Christmas and Thanks,
Don and Jeanne Brown

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Jell-O Shots for Your Holiday Parties

The Keys Ankle Breaker

Start with a large glass measuring cup and measure 1 cup of boiling water. Dissolve 1 envelope of Lime Jell-O (3 oz size) and stir until fully dissolved. Add 1/2 cup of cold water, 1/4 cup of 151 Rum, and 1/4 cup of Cherry Brandy. Stir well and cool before pouring into Jell-o shot cups.

Makes about 16 shots

The Coral Reef Concussion

3 cups of boiling water and dissolve 1 package of Orange Jell-o, 1 package of Strawberry Jell-o, and 1 package of Pineapple Jell-o (all the 3 oz size) and stir until fully dissolved. Add 1 1/2 cups of cold water and 1 1/2 cups of Coconut Rum. Stir until everything is well combined. Cool until the liquid can be safely poured into Jell-o shot cups.

Makes about 48 shots

Party All Night Jell-o Shots

1 cup of boiling water. Dissolve 1 package of Orange Jell-o (3 oz) and stir for at least 2 minutes until fully dissolved. Add 1/2 cup of Red Bull, 1/4 cup of Rum and 1/4 Blue Curacao. Stir until well combined and cool before pouring into Jell-o shot cups.

Makes about 15 shots

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