

# ThanksUSA Veterans Tennis

## PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Marine Corps veteran Henry joined the ThanksUSA Veterans Adaptive Tennis Clinic in 2016 and it didn't take him long to develop a love for the game. Before he could afford a new one, Henry mended an old tennis racquet so that he could practice between clinics.

“I think what inspired me to want to do it more, is the fact that my kids and grandkids laugh at me, wondering why the old man wants to play tennis!”

Henry's infectious laugh can be heard often on the court at Tennis Corps — his positivity makes him a favorite among the veterans and junior players alike.

But life hasn't always been easy for Henry; he credits tennis as a way for him to overcome some of the emotional wounds that remain from his service in Vietnam. “It helps relieve a lot of the stressful thoughts I have in my mind from the deals I've been through in my life.”

