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THE MALONE FAMILY FOUNDATION



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OUR STORY

Pittsburgh is home...

Pittsburgh has been home to the Malone family for five decades. Originally born in Miramichi, New Brunswick, **Greg Malone** was drafted by the Pittsburgh Penguins in 1976. The 19th overall pick, Greg played 704 career games in the NHL amassing 501 points. Greg also won two Stanley Cups with the Penguins as the organization's head scout in '91 and '92.

Greg laid his roots in Pittsburgh with sons Ryan and Mark both learning the great game of hockey on the Steel City's ice. **Ryan Malone** was drafted by the Penguins in 1999 as the 115th overall pick, making him the first Pittsburgh-born player to don the black-and-gold. Ryan scored 179 goals and tallied 191 assists during his time in the NHL with the Penguins, Tampa Bay Lightning and New York Rangers.

Mark Malone also had on-ice success. Spending his collegiate career with Nichols College from 2003 to 2007, Mark then played in the ECHL for the Wheeling Nailers and Bakersfield Condors. **Brad Malone**, the cousin of Ryan and Mark, was drafted by the Colorado Avalanche in 2007. Brad played in over 200 games at the NHL level with the Avalanche, Oilers and Carolina Hurricanes before recently retiring as the longest-standing Captain in the history of the Bakersfield Condors.

While hockey has always come naturally to the Malones, service to their community and country has also been core to the family's mission and can be traced back to Ryan and Mark's grandfather who served in the Korean War. Along with his service, their cousin and uncle also served in the Marines and Navy, respectively.

This history has impacted the focus of The Malone Family Foundation and helps guide the family's charitable giving.

Presently, Greg resides in Pittsburgh and maintains his ties within the local hockey community, while Mark recently returned to the region from Colorado. Their active involvement in the newly formed foundation will allow the Malone family's legacy of service to grow, along with Ryan and the rest of the family's vision for supporting the game they love and providing access to all who wish to play.



Greg Malone

Pittsburgh Penguins, Hartford
Whalers & Quebec Nordiques



Mark Malone

Bakersfield Condors & Wheeling
Nailers



Brad Malone

Edmonton Oilers, Colorado
Avalanche & Carolina Hurricanes



Ryan Malone

Pittsburgh Penguins, Tampa Bay
Lightning & New York Rangers

OUR FOUNDER

Born in Pittsburgh to Greg and Diana Malone on December 1, 1979, **Ryan “Bugsy” Malone** played in 647 National Hockey League games, as well as the 2010 Winter Olympics, before retiring. Passionate about giving back to the game that gave him so much, **Bugsy founded The Malone Family Foundation in 2022.** Alongside his family, their work will help bring the same joy to others that hockey has brought to them for nearly 50 years.

Pittsburgh Penguins Alumni
Association President, NHLAA Board
Member & Olympic Silver Medalist



THE MISSION

Hockey is healing...

We leverage hockey's transformative power to empower individuals to thrive both on and off the ice. Through accessible and innovative programs, we help people unlock their full potential and lead fulfilling lives. **Our mission is to catalyze healing and personal growth through hockey, inspiring impactful individuals and communities.**



Wellness

We aim to promote **wellness** through education and activities that focus on nutrition, mental health, and the power of an active mind, body & spirit. Our goal is to help support programs that promote healthy lifestyles in sustainable ways.



Access to the Game

We aim to identify individuals, families and organizations lacking access to funds, equipment or facilities, thus prohibiting them from having the ability to enjoy the sport. Our goal is to make the game **financially accessible** for all who wish to play.

THE PILLARS

Military & First Responder Families

We aim to support **Veterans, first responders, their families, and those who are currently serving** by working closely with organizations that help promote the wellness and funding of military family focused initiatives. Our goal is to use hockey as a way to help heal and support the well-being and growth within those communities.





SIGNATURE PROGRAMS



Warrior Hockey Academy



Black & Gold Breaking the Mold





The Cause:

MENTAL HEALTH

The signature programs of The Malone Family Foundation aim to assist the **mental health** of our community of Veterans, active-duty military and first responders.

“I feel like this is an amazing program. It is hard to measure success, but if one person stays alive or just has a better life from participating, then it is all worth it.”

“Wonderful full day program that has hockey as a key tie that binds. It has the individual overall as a focus and connecting mind, body (and) spirituality in a team-based environment. Great experience... Would highly recommend for anyone that has experienced what it means to engage in selfless service and loves hockey.”

“Warrior hockey is for Veterans what the VFW was 40 years ago.”

Quotes from program participants



WARRIOR HOCKEY ACADEMY

Training for the Mind, Body & Soul

Warrior Hockey Academy, inspired by The Malone Family Foundation's Warrior Wellness Camp in 2023, is a signature program of the foundation. **The goal of the Academy is to change lives through the healing power of hockey – empowering our participants to thrive through mind, body and soul training.**

Local Veterans, active-duty military and first responders are invited to join the one-day academy, at no cost, for on-ice and off-ice sessions led by the Malone family and NHL alumni. Sessions have focused on skill development, mindfulness training, nutrition guidance, jiu-jitsu, yoga, stickhandling and more – ultimately fueling camaraderie and strengthening mental health through the game the Malone family loves the most.

By the Numbers

Over 800 Veterans, active-duty military & first responders were impacted by the Warrior Hockey Academy program in 2024.



2024 Locations

Blaine, MN @ National Sports Center

Pittsburgh, PA @ RMU Island Sports Center

Tampa, FL @ Amalie Arena

Plans are underway to bring the Academy from coast to coast to support all unsung heroes.



WARRIOR
HOCKEY ACADEMY



BLACK & GOLD BREAKING THE MOLD

The Malone Family Foundation proudly hosted the **2nd Annual Black & Gold Breaking the Mold** as part of Mental Health Awareness Month and MTV's worldwide Mental Health Action Day in May. The event, presented by Tomahawk Charitable Solutions, was highlighted by an open conversation about mental health with Ryan Malone and NHL guests. Veterans, first responders and local celebrities were also in attendance for the **Mental Health Reception**, which featured light appetizers, music and an auction presented by 84 Lumber – all in support of The Malone Family Foundation's mission.



Mental Health Panel & Reception

Hosted by Colby Armstrong; Panelists included Max Talbot, Corey Hirsch, Kyle Quincey & Ryan Malone

City Winery



Hero & Celebrity Hockey Game

Celebrities included Jeff Carter, Max Talbot, Brett Keisel, Lars Eller, Tyler Kennedy, Corey Hirsch, Kyle Quincey, Matt Bartkowski, Josh Getzoff, On the Bench, Swaggy P, Ken Wregget, Dave Hanson, Christian Hanson, Duane Rupp, Steve Mears, Paul Steigerwald, Colby Armstrong, Jay Caufield, Ryan Malone, Greg Malone & Mark Malone

RMU Island Sports Center

Black & Gold Breaking the Mold continued with the **Hero & Celebrity Hockey Game** the following day. Those participating in the game included current + former NHL players, members of our Veteran and first responder communities, local celebrities, and mental health advocates. The game shined a light on the healing power of hockey and our need to take positive action daily on our mental health journeys. Prior to the game, the family-friendly Mental Health Rally, shared mental wellness resources, as well as information related to MTV's A.S.K. initiative, which encourages us all to Acknowledge, Support and Keep in Touch with one another. PLUS, our celebrities made a special appearance to connect with our growing community of mental health advocates.





Hockey Talks

The Malone Family Foundation joined forces with the **Pittsburgh Penguins** for the Hockey Talks Game - a night that shines a light on mental health. Ryan Malone shared the mission on the SportsNet Pittsburgh broadcast, while Greg Malone connected with game attendees at PPG Paints Arena; ultimately, raising awareness for the foundation and cause.



Access to the Game Grant

To conclude the 2024 campaign, The Malone Family Foundation awarded a **\$1,000 grant** to a member of the **Charleston Warriors Veteran Hockey Team** to fund the purchase of a new sled. Future grants will be awarded quarterly by the Malone family.

A LOOK BACK

1616 & Ladd Foundation

The Malone Family Foundation teamed up with the Ladd Foundation, founded by **NHL alumnus Andrew Ladd** and his wife. MFF contributed \$2,500 to the 1616 program, which focuses on strengthening the mental health and wellness of youth hockey players by teaching the buffalo mindset and additional key lessons over a 16-week time period.





Battle Buddy Clinic

The Malone Family Foundation co-hosted the first-ever Battle Buddy Clinic in partnership with the **Johnstown Generals** Veteran hockey team and **Johnstown Tomahawks Foundation** at the iconic War Memorial Arena, the home of Slap Shot. Each youth hockey participant from the **Johnstown Warriors** was paired with a Veteran from the Johnstown Generals as their 'battle buddy' for the session. The match was meant to facilitate mentorship and support throughout the evening in alignment with our pillars.





POWERING FORWARD

Goals for 2025...

Warrior Hockey Academy

The Malone Family Foundation is committed to grow the Warrior Hockey Academy program in 2025. **Academies are set to return in Blaine (MN), Pittsburgh (PA) and Tampa (FL) with plans to bring a minimum of 3 additional Academies** to NHL cities in 2025 plus further expansion in the years that follow.



Black & Gold Breaking the Mold

Black & Gold Breaking the Mold will return for the **3rd straight year** in Pittsburgh in May of 2025. Once again, a **2-day event** will be held coinciding with MTV's worldwide Mental Health Action Day. Additional members of the NHL Alumni Association will be on-hand to further the impact of the initiative - reaching more Veteran, active-duty military and first responder heroes and families.



“As a former U.S. Navy SEAL, I’ve seen firsthand the pivotal role that The Malone Family Foundation plays in the lives of Veterans by offering a unique blend of healing, growth, and support through hockey. Ryan and his crew provide Veterans with much-needed opportunities to focus on their mental, physical, and emotional wellbeing, all while playing a great team sport. By reigniting their sense of camaraderie and community, the foundation helps Veterans navigate their post-service challenges and promotes resilience and personal development in the process. They are not only committed to supporting those who have served, but it is their honor to do so.”

–Dave Cooper



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