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Whiteside fitted him with his first prosthesis. Equipped with the XT9 prosthetic knee (Symbiotechs USA, McMinnville, Oregon), an extreme-activity-specific device, his 15-year passion for the sport was immediately reignited. His success on the mountain, "really opened my eyes that being an amputee wasn't going to be the end of the road for me..." he explains, "because if I could snowboard again and do it at a high level...[then I knew] there were a lot of other things I could do, and that was a motivating factor for redeploying."

Looking Forward

Jones retired from the military after his second tour because he wanted to eventually marry and have a family. The military life, he believes, took its toll on his fellow Marines' wives, for whom he has the utmost respect. So, despite that he "loved being a Marine and the guys and the camaraderie," he says that it was just time for him to move on.

Although he didn't have "a special someone" when he retired, Jones is now married. He is looking forward to the end of his junior year at Western Oregon University, Monmouth, where he's pursuing a bachelor's degree in community health because, he says, it has all of the prerequisites he will need to get into the master of science in prosthetics and orthotics program at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Jones is also traveling a lot lighter these days. His everyday prosthesis is "something simple because I haul around everything, and I'm such a high amputee that I go for really light stuff."

Todd Nelson, CPO, Summit Orthotics & Prosthetics, Salem, Oregon, who has been Jones' prosthetist for more than a year now, says the veteran wears an Össur (Reykjavik, Iceland) seal-in liner, Total Knee, and Vari-Flex foot, with a Fillauer (Chattanooga, Tennessee) rotator. "Garrett is very active," Nelson says.

"He's a very determined young man."



Jones and his wife Allison.

While Jones says his studies are his number-one priority, he makes time to promote the online company he cofounded, which reviews and sells high-end weapons and equipment. He volunteers with Oregon Adaptive Sports, teaching wounded warriors how to snowboard, which gives him the occasional opportunity to get in a few runs and cruise the mountain on his own. He also works part time as a technician for Nelson, who says that Jones has good rapport with amputee patients of all ages. "When they hear Garrett's story, they say he changes their whole perspective," Nelson says.

"In retrospect," Jones says about his injury, "I thank god it was me and not someone else because every amputee has good days and bad days, [and] I feel like I've handled it...and I've been able to adjust to it pretty well. As weird as this may sound, sometimes it's a blessing in disguise because if I hadn't got hurt, I don't know if I'd have the wife I have or the future I'm looking forward to now."

"Life is good," he adds. "School is good. My wife is a third-grade teacher...and we've got a baby on the way this summer and we're excited." In fact, the couple just found out that they are expecting a baby boy. **O&P EDGE**

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