## **Bravery, Separation and Deployment**

April is the **Month of the Military Child**. Here are some picture books that relate to Bravery, Separation and Deployment for children.

Bradley, <u>Love Mama</u> - A special letter sent to Little Penguin reminds him that Mama loves him even though she's far away.



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Brown, Margaret Wise. <u>The Fathers are Coming Home</u> - Animal fathers of all types come home to their children...as does a military father to his child.

Casey, Carol. <u>Dear Baby, I'm Watching Over You</u> - Time and distance can't break the bonds between parent and child.



Ehrmantraut, Brenda. Night Catch - A child and his deployed father play a nightly game of catch with the North Star.

Hardin, Melinda. <u>Hero Dad</u> - <u>Hero Mom -</u>

A child's military mother or father may not leap over tall buildings, but he/she can fly planes and make tanks roll.



Harrington, Claudia. My Military Mom - Connor's friend learns that roles are reversed in the household while mom is deployed.

**Karst, Patrice**. <u>Invisible String</u> - An invisible string connects people who love each other no matter where they are.



Kosinski, Colleen. <u>Lilla's Sunflowers</u> - The gift of sunflower seeds to her father before he leaves, comes back to Lilla many times over as people send photos of their families with the sunflowers from her seeds.

Ruth, Greg. Coming Home - A young child waits for his military parent to come home.



Tugwood, Wendy. <u>I Love You Too</u>, <u>I Love You Three</u> - Separating from a parent, for a few hours or even days can be stressful. A mother and child profess their love, through a counting game before they part.