O7200 ORDINARY HEROES (USA, 10/19/1986) [TV]

Credits: director, Pete H. Cooper ; writer, Ira Barmac ; story (Pride of the Marines), Albert Maltz.

Cast: Richard Dean Anderson, Valerie Bertinelli, Doris Roberts.

Summary: Melodrama set in the U.S. in the 1970s. A love affair is put on hold when the young man (Anderson) is drafted and sent to Vietnam. He is blinded while rescuing a wounded buddy. After an operation fails to restore his sight, he becomes severely depressed and refuses to meet or communicate with his former sweetheart Maria (Bertinelli). Against his will he is transferred to a VA hospital near his hometown where Maria and his friends coax him out of his self-pitying shell.

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