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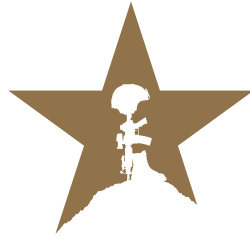
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We Shall Not Forget

This book is a tribute to the men and women of the U.S. Army Special Operations Command who have paid the ultimate price in our war against the extremists and other enemies of our country since the attacks of 9-11. Their lives and sacrifice as outlined here stand as a testament to the remarkable and unflinching willingness of Americans to step forth and accept the hardest and most dangerous tasks in order to protect our way of life. We should be ever reminded by the stories in these pages that freedom is not free but is paid for by each generation with the blood of America's finest sons and daughters.


In their name and in the memory of those who came before and heeded the call to join our Nation's soldiery and assume the unique burden of Special Operations — be proud of who you are, what you do, and who you do it with, for you are without equal.

— *Sine Pari* —



2001

MAJ Wallace C. Hogan, Jr.
SPC Jonn J. Edmunds
PFC Kristofor T. Stonesifer
MSG Jefferson D. Davis
SFC Daniel H. Petithory
SSG Brian C. Prosser



“He was a warrior and he was doing what he wanted to do. He was a brave man and he was willing to pay the price.”

— Brian D. Prosser, father of SSG Brian C. Prosser | pg 5



MAJ WALLACE C. HOGAN, JR

11 September 2001, Pentagon

A native of Macon, Georgia, Major Wallace C. Hogan, Jr. died as a result of the terrorist attack on the Pentagon on 11 September 2001.

On graduating from Valdosta State College, Hogan accepted a commission in the Georgia Army National Guard as an Infantry Officer. He served in the 19th and 20th Special Forces Groups before gaining a Regular Army commission in 1993.

MAJ Hogan was serving as a Special Operations staff officer and was the executive officer to the Army's Chief of Plans and Policies at the time of his death. His office was located near the point of impact of the commandeered American Airlines Flight 77 that crashed into the Pentagon.



SPC JONN J. EDMUNDS

19 October 2001, Pakistan

A native of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Specialist Jonn J. Edmunds died on 19 October 2001 as a result of a Black Hawk helicopter crash in Pakistan.

Edmunds enlisted in the Army on 20 July 1999 and volunteered for Airborne and Ranger training. On completion of the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SPC Edmunds was serving with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





PFC KRISTOFOR T. STONESIFER

19 October 2001, Pakistan

Private First Class Kristofor T. Stonesifer, of Missoula, Montana, was killed on 19 October 2001 in a Black Hawk helicopter crash while on a mission in Pakistan.

Stonesifer joined the Army on 7 August 2000 as an Infantryman. After completing Airborne training and the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

PFC Stonesifer was serving as a rifleman with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MSG JEFFERSON D. DAVIS

5 December 2001, Afghanistan

A native of Tennessee, Master Sergeant Jefferson D. Davis was killed by friendly fire on 5 December 2001 when B-52 ordnance struck his position north of Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Davis enlisted in the Army as a Medical Specialist in 1984 and served in Korea for three years. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Davis joined the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He participated in Operation DESERT STORM and other contingency operations.

Davis served as a Senior Instructor at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before returning to the 5th Special Forces Group.

MSG Davis was a Team Sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC DANIEL H. PETITHORY

5 December 2001, Afghanistan

Sergeant First Class Daniel H. Petithory, a Massachusetts native, was killed by friendly fire on 5 December 2001 when B-52 ordnance hit his position north of Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Petithory enlisted in the Army as a Military Policeman in 1987 and served at Fort Rucker, Alabama, before volunteering for the Special Forces Qualification Course. On graduating in 1992, Petithory was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

At the time of his death, SFC Petithory was a Communications Sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG BRIAN C. PROSSER

5 December 2001, Afghanistan

A native of California, Staff Sergeant Brian C. Prosser was killed by friendly fire on 5 December 2001 when B-52 ordnance hit his position north of Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Enlisting in the Army as a Military Policeman in 1991, Prosser completed Basic Combat Training and volunteered for Airborne training. Following assignment to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he completed the Intelligence Analyst Course at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, and served as an Intelligence Analyst in South Korea. On completion of that tour, Prosser joined the Military Intelligence Detachment of 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

At the time of his death, SSG Prosser was assigned as a Military Intelligence Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



The background of the page is a dark, monochromatic photograph. It depicts several soldiers in silhouette, standing in a field of smoke or mist. One soldier in the center is the most prominent, facing away from the camera. To his left, another soldier is partially visible. In the background, a military helicopter is seen flying through the haze. The overall atmosphere is somber and evocative of a battlefield.

“As a child, he didn’t express an interest in a military career at all. In fact, we were pretty surprised when he told us he was going to go into the Army . . . [But he] wanted to defend our country, he wanted to be involved actively in that, and thought the Army offered him the best opportunity to do it.”

— Parents of SFC Nathan R. Chapman | pg 8

2002

SFC Nathan R. Chapman
SGT Thomas F. Allison
SSG James P. Dorrity
CW2 Jody L. Egnor
MAJ Curtis D. Feistner
SGT Jeremy D. Foshee
SSG Kerry W. Frith
CPT Bartt D. Owens
SSG Bruce A. Rushforth, Jr.
CW2 Stanley L. Harriman
SPC Marc A. Anderson
CPL Matthew A. Commons
SGT Bradley S. Crose
SGT Philip J. Svitak
SFC Daniel A. Romero
SSG Gene A. Vance, Jr.
SFC Peter P. Tycz II
SFC Christopher J. Speer
SFC Mark W. Jackson



SFC NATHAN R. CHAPMAN

4 January 2002, Afghanistan

A native of Centerville, Ohio, Sergeant First Class Nathan R. Chapman was killed by enemy small arms fire on 4 January 2002 near the town of Khost, Afghanistan.

Chapman enlisted in the Army in 1988 as an Infantryman and volunteered for Airborne and Ranger training before being assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. There, he participated in Operation JUST CAUSE in Panama. In 1991 he deployed with the 47th Infantry Regiment to Saudi Arabia during Operation DESERT STORM. In December 1991, Chapman graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Communications Sergeant and served in 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group at Fort Lewis, Washington, and 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group in Okinawa, Japan.

SFC Chapman was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SGT THOMAS F. ALLISON

22 February 2002, Philippines

A native of Roy, Washington, Sergeant Thomas F. Allison was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Allison enlisted in the Army in 1998 and graduated from the Medium Helicopter Repairer Course. He then completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 4th Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, in the Aviation Life Support Equipment Section. In 2001, SGT Allison joined Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea.

He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.





SSG JAMES P. DORRITY

22 February 2002, Philippines

Staff Sergeant James P. Dorrity, a native of Goldsboro, North Carolina, was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Dorrity enlisted in the Army in 1986 as a Medium Helicopter Repairer, and was assigned to 8th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 1999, he completed Green Platoon, and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 2001, SSG Dorrity was assigned to Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea, as a Flight Engineer.

SSG Dorrity was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.



CW2 JODY L. EGNOR

22 February 2002, Philippines

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jody L. Egnor, a native of Middletown, Ohio, was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Egnor enlisted in the Army in 1988, and served as a UH-60 Black Hawk Helicopter Crewman until 1995. After completing Warrant Officer Candidate School and Flight School, he joined the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, as a CH-47 pilot. In 1999, Egnor completed Green Platoon, and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He was assigned to Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea, in 2001.

CW2 Egnor was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.





MAJ CURTIS D. FEISTNER

22 February 2002, Philippines

Major Curtis D. Feistner, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Feistner was commissioned in the Aviation Branch after graduating from the U.S. Military Academy in 1990. After flight training, he served with the 214th Aviation Regiment, Barbers Point, Hawaii. In 1995, Feistner completed Green Platoon and was assigned to the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In August 2000, he assumed command of Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea.

MAJ Feistner was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.



SGT JEREMY D. FOSHEE

22 February 2002, Philippines

Sergeant Jeremy D. Foshee, from Pisgah, Alabama, was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Foshee enlisted in the Army in 1995 as a Medium Helicopter Repairer, and was assigned to 8th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 1998, he transferred to 2nd Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. He completed Green Platoon in 2000, and was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment.

SGT Foshee was assigned to Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment as an MH-47 Crew Chief in 2001, and was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.





SSG KERRY W. FRITH

22 February 2002, Philippines

A native of Las Vegas, Nevada, Staff Sergeant Kerry W. Frith was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Frith enlisted in the Army in 1987 as a Medium Helicopter Repairman. In 1991, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned as a Flight Engineer to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He deployed to Saudi Arabia as part of Operations DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM, and to Somalia in support of Operation GOTHIC SERPENT. In 2001, he joined Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea.

SSG Frith was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.



CPT BARTT D. OWENS

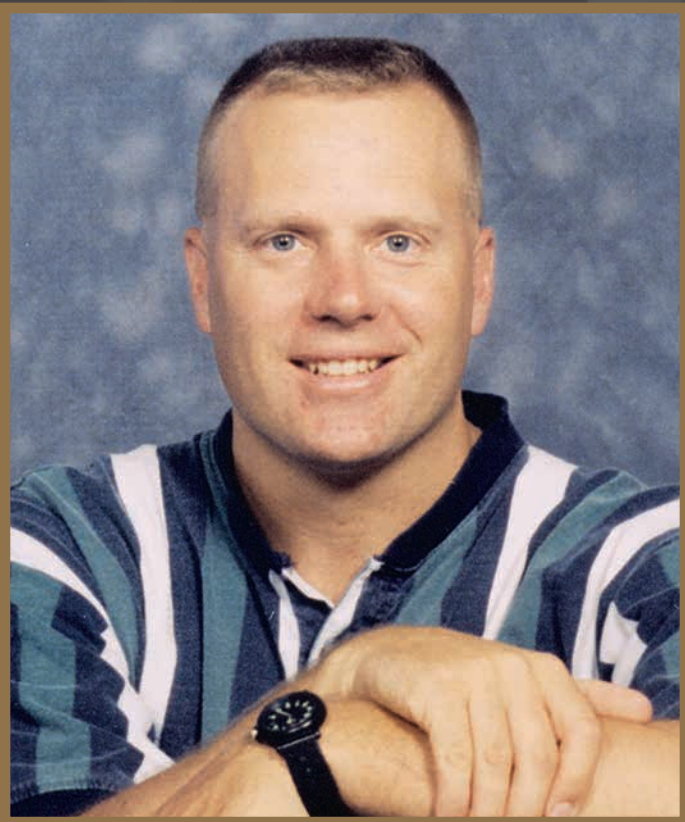
22 February 2002, Philippines

A native of Middletown, Ohio, Captain Bartt D. Owens was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

After being commissioned in 1994 from the U.S. Military Academy, Owens attended the Aviation Officer Course and was assigned to 7th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. After completing Green Platoon in 1999, CPT Owens joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, and was assigned to Company E, Republic of Korea.

CPT Owens was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.





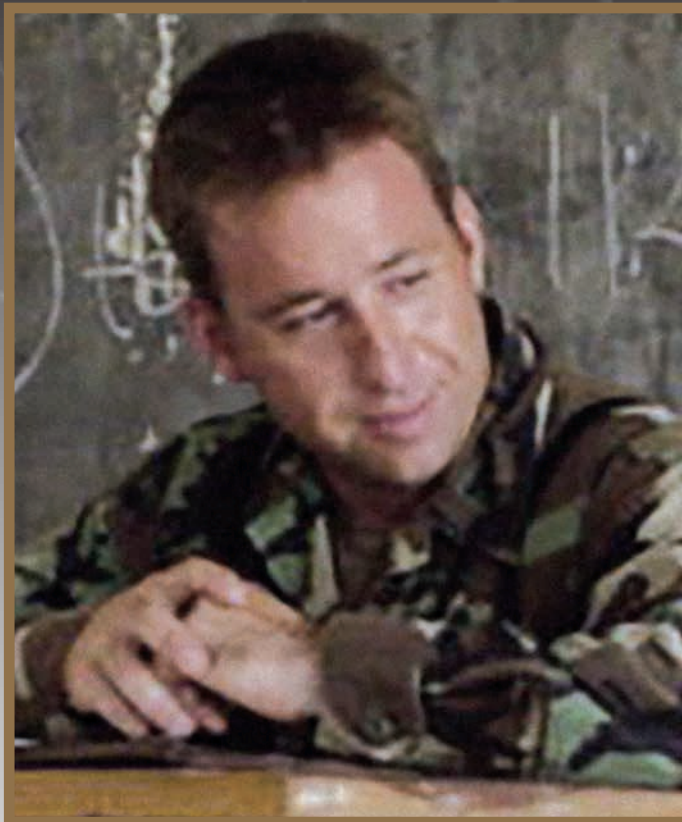
SSG BRUCE A. RUSHFORTH, JR

22 February 2002, Philippines

A Massachusetts native, Staff Sergeant Bruce A. Rushforth, Jr. was killed on 22 February 2002 in an MH-47 helicopter crash at sea, near Mindanao, in the Southern Philippines.

Rushforth enlisted in the Army in 1990 as an Observation-Scout Helicopter Crew Chief. After completing training, he joined the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California. In 1993, he served in 2nd Squadron, 1st Aviation Regiment, Katterbach, Germany. After completing Green Platoon in 1996, he was assigned as a Section Chief to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SSG Rushforth joined Company E, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Republic of Korea, as a Flight Engineer in 2001, and was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.



CW2 STANLEY L. HARRIMAN

2 March 2002, Afghanistan

Born in Springfield, Missouri, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Stanley L. Harriman was killed on 2 March 2002 by friendly fire from an AC-130 aircraft during Operation ANACONDA in Afghanistan.

Harriman enlisted in the Army as a Combat Engineer in 1986 and served with 307th Engineer Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He deployed to Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM in Iraq, before attending the Special Forces Qualification Course, in 1991. He joined 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, and deployed to Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY in Haiti. In 1998, he attended the Warrant Officer Basic Course and returned to 3rd Special Forces Group.

CW2 Harriman was an assistant team leader with 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SPC MARC A. ANDERSON

4 March 2002, Afghanistan

Specialist Marc A. Anderson, of Brandon, Florida, was killed by enemy gunfire on 4 March 2002 during Operation ANACONDA at Takur Ghar in Eastern Afghanistan.

Anderson joined the Army in July 1998 as an Infantryman. After completing Airborne training, he volunteered for assignment to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Georgia. He graduated from the Ranger Course and was assigned as a machine gunner.

SPC Anderson was serving with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



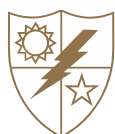
CPL MATTHEW A. COMMONS

4 March 2002, Afghanistan

Corporal Matthew A. Commons, of Boulder City, Nevada, was killed by enemy gunfire on 4 March 2002 during Operation ANACONDA at Takur Ghar in Eastern Afghanistan.

Commons enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2000. Following his initial training, he volunteered for Airborne School and in April 2001 was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Georgia.

CPL Commons was serving as a grenadier with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





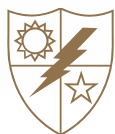
SGT BRADLEY S. CROSE

4 March 2002, Afghanistan

A native of Orange Park, Florida, Sergeant Bradley S. Crose was killed by enemy gunfire on 4 March 2002 during Operation ANACONDA at Takur Ghar in Eastern Afghanistan.

Crose joined the Army on 6 June 1998 as an Infantryman. Following his training, he volunteered for Airborne School and was then assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Georgia. He was a graduate of the Ranger Course.

SGT Crose was serving as a machine gunner with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SGT PHILIP J. SVITAK

4 March 2002, Afghanistan

Sergeant Philip J. Svitak, of Boulder City, Nevada, was killed by enemy gunfire on 4 March 2002 during Operation ANACONDA at Takur Ghar in Eastern Afghanistan.

Svitak enlisted in the Army in 1989 as a Medium Helicopter Repairer. After initial training, he completed Green Platoon, and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, deploying to Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM. Finishing his enlistment in 1994, he returned to active duty in 1998.

SGT Svitak was serving as an MH-47 Chinook Crew Chief in 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC DANIEL A. ROMERO

15 April 2002, Afghanistan

Sergeant First Class Daniel A. Romero, a Colorado native, was killed on 15 April 2002 during an explosive ordnance disposal mission involving the destruction of 107mm rockets near Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Romero enlisted in the Colorado Army National Guard in 1991 and volunteered for Airborne training in 1993. He was assigned to Company B, 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. In 1995, Romero attended the Special Forces Qualification Course. In 2001, his unit was placed on active duty and deployed to Afghanistan.

At the time of his death, SFC Romero was the Communications Chief for Company B, 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG GENE A. VANCE, JR

19 May 2002, Afghanistan

A native of West Virginia, Staff Sergeant Gene A. Vance, Jr. was killed in action on 19 May 2002 while on patrol during Operation MOUNTAIN LION near Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Vance enlisted in the Army in 1983 and trained as a Communications Systems Circuit Controller. He joined the Army Reserve in 1992 as a Supply Specialist in the 646th Quartermaster Company, Kingwood, West Virginia. In October 1992, Vance transferred to 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Camp Dawson, West Virginia, as a Persian-Farsi language trained communicator. In 2001, his unit was placed on active duty and deployed to Afghanistan.

At the time of his death, SSG Vance was serving in the Support Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SFC PETER P. TYCZ II

12 June 2002, Afghanistan

A native of upstate New York, Sergeant First Class Peter P. Tycz II was killed on 12 June 2002 when the MC-130H he was on caught fire and crashed on takeoff from an airfield about 35 miles southwest of Gardez, Afghanistan.

Tycz joined the Army as a Fire Support Specialist in 1988 and transitioned to the Army Reserve in 1990. He served with his reserve unit in Operation DESERT STORM. In 1993, he went back on active duty and in 1997 graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Tycz was a Team Medical Sergeant with the 3rd Special Forces Group in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC CHRISTOPHER J. SPEER

7 August 2002, Afghanistan

Sergeant First Class Christopher J. Speer was born in Denver, Colorado, in 1973. He died on 7 August 2002 as a result of wounds received in action on 27 July in Afghanistan.

Speer enlisted in the Army as a Medical Specialist in 1992 and was assigned to the U.S. Army Hospital at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. In late 1994, he volunteered for the Special Forces Qualification Course. On graduating as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant he joined the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Speer was assigned to Headquarters, U.S. Army Special Operations Command in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC MARK W. JACKSON

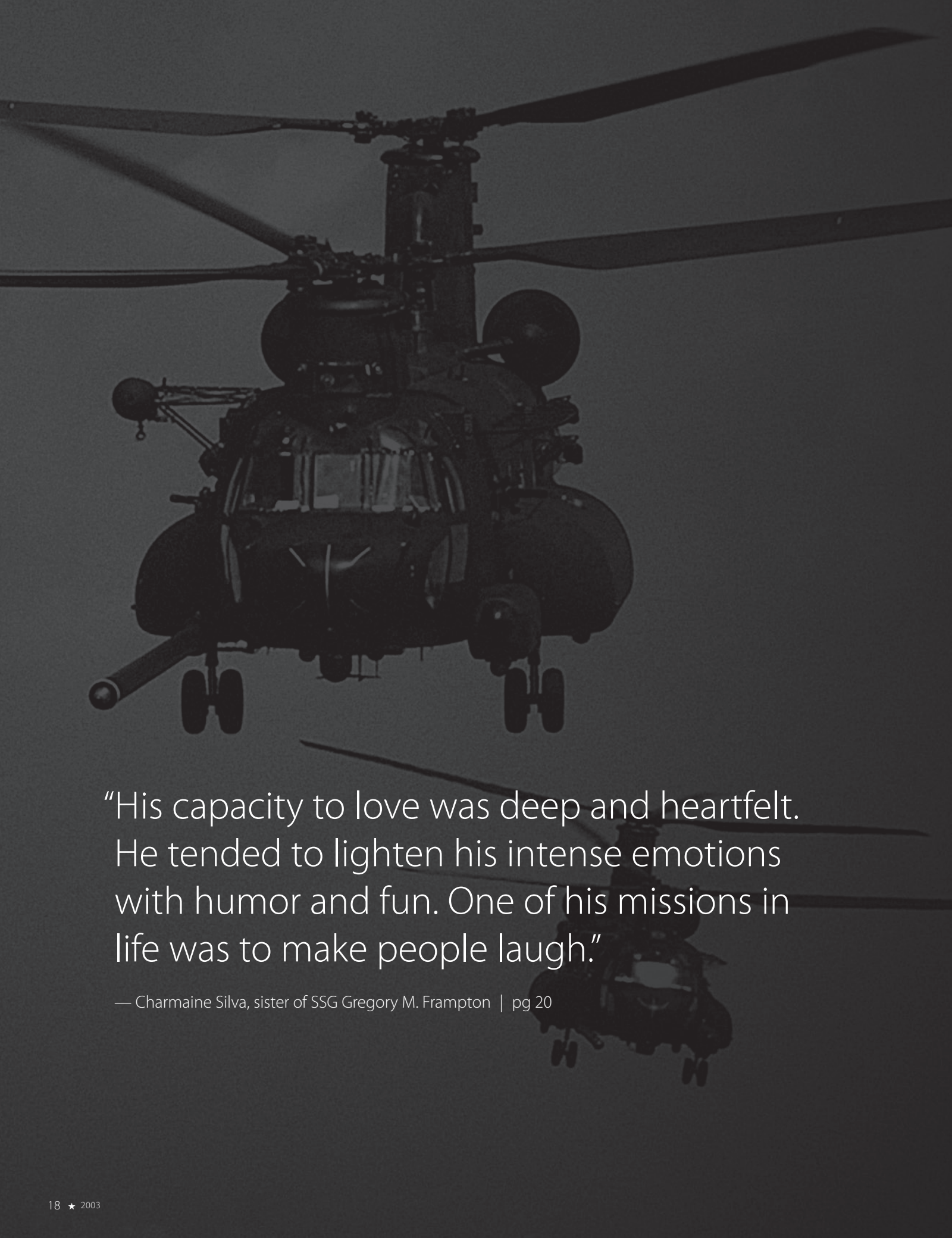
2 October 2002, Philippines

A native of Michigan, Sergeant First Class Mark W. Jackson died on 2 October 2002 as a result of an improvised explosive device in Zamboanga, Philippines.

In 1983, Jackson enlisted in the Army Reserve as a Motor Transport Operator. He went on active duty in 1986 and became a Cannon Crewman assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He attended the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1993 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Jackson joined 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, in 1999.

SFC Jackson was an Operations Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES at the time of his death.





“His capacity to love was deep and heartfelt. He tended to lighten his intense emotions with humor and fun. One of his missions in life was to make people laugh.”

— Charmaine Silva, sister of SSG Gregory M. Frampton | pg 20

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SSG Gregory M. Frampton
CW3 Thomas J. Gibbons
SSG Daniel L. Kisling
CW3 Mark S. O'Steen
SSG Orlando Morales
MSG George A. Fernandez
SSG Nino D. Livaudais
SPC Ryan P. Long
CPT Russell B. Rippetoe
CPL Andrew F. Chris
SSG Timothy M. Conneway
1SG Christopher D. Coffin
CPL Mark A. Bibby
LTC Anthony L. Sherman
SFC Mitchell A. Lane
SFC William M. Bennett
MSG Kevin N. Morehead
LTC Charles H. Buehring
SSG Paul A. Sweeney
SGT Jay M. Blessing
PFC Charles E. Bush, Jr.



SSG GREGORY M. FRAMPTON

30 January 2003, Afghanistan

Born in Fresno, California, Staff Sergeant Gregory M. Frampton died on 30 January 2003 as a result of an MH-60 Black Hawk crash near Bagram, Afghanistan.

Frampton enlisted in the Army in 1993 as a Tactical Transport Helicopter Mechanic. After completing Green Platoon, he served in 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 1999, he was assigned to the USASOC Flight Detachment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Flight Instructor and Technical Inspector.

SSG Frampton returned to 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment in 2002 and was deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



CW3 THOMAS J. GIBBONS

30 January 2003, Afghanistan

Born in Cheverly, Maryland, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Thomas J. Gibbons died on 30 January 2003 as a result of an MH-60 Black Hawk crash near Bagram, Afghanistan.

Gibbons enlisted in the Army in 1990 as an Infantryman. In 1999 he graduated Warrant Officer Candidate School at Fort Rucker, Alabama, became a UH-60 Black Hawk Pilot, and was assigned to 6th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. After completing Green Platoon, he served with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

CW3 Gibbons was deployed with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment as a Fully Mission Qualified Pilot in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG DANIEL L. KISLING

30 January 2003, Afghanistan

A Missouri native, Staff Sergeant Daniel L. Kisling died on 30 January 2003 as a result of an MH-60 Black Hawk crash near Bagram, Afghanistan.

Kisling enlisted in the Army Reserve in 1992 as a Power Generator Equipment Mechanic. The following year, he went on active duty and retrained as a Tactical Transport Helicopter Mechanic assigned to 2nd Battalion, 82nd Aviation Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 1998, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SSG Kisling was deployed with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment as a MH-60 Crew Chief in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



CW3 MARK S. O'STEEN

30 January 2003, Afghanistan

A Virginia native, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Mark S. O'Steen died on 30 January 2003 as a result of an MH-60 Black Hawk crash near Bagram, Afghanistan.

O'Steen enlisted in the Army in 1985 as a Linguist. In 1990 he completed Warrant Officer Candidate School, Fort Rucker, Alabama, and was assigned as a UH-60 Pilot to Yongsan Garrison, Republic of Korea. He then joined 4th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, as a Flight Instructor. After completing Green Platoon, O'Steen was assigned to 1st Battalion, 160th Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

CW3 O'Steen was deployed with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment as a Fully Mission Qualified Pilot in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG ORLANDO MORALES

29 March 2003, Afghanistan

A native of Orocovis, Puerto Rico, Staff Sergeant Orlando Morales died on 29 March 2003 of wounds sustained during an ambush on his mounted reconnaissance patrol in Geresk, Afghanistan.

Morales enlisted in the Army in 1996 as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. In November 2002 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and joined 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Morales was serving as a Weapons Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MSG GEORGE A. FERNANDEZ

2 April 2003, Iraq

Born in El Paso, Texas, Master Sergeant George A. Fernandez died of wounds received in action on 2 April 2003 during a combat action in northern Iraq.

Fernandez enlisted in the Army in 1992 as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, and over the next ten years served in positions ranging from team leader to platoon sergeant. In 2002 he joined the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Fernandez was serving as a Special Operations Team Member in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





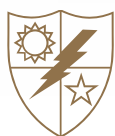
SSG NINO D. LIVAUDAIS

3 April 2003, Iraq

Born in Olongapo, Philippines, Staff Sergeant Nino D. Livaudais died on 3 April 2003 of wounds sustained when a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device detonated at a checkpoint southwest of Haditha Dam, Iraq.

Livaudais enlisted in the Army in 1998 as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following completion of Airborne training, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Army Ranger Course in 1999.

SSG Livaudais deployed with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment on Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, and was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SPC RYAN P. LONG

3 April 2003, Iraq

A native of the District of Columbia, Specialist Ryan P. Long died on 3 April 2003 of wounds sustained when a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device detonated at a checkpoint southwest of Haditha Dam, Iraq.

In 1999 Long enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following completion of Airborne training in 2000 and the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SPC Long deployed with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment to Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, and was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





CPT RUSSELL B. RIPPETOE

3 April 2003, Iraq

A Colorado native, Captain Russell B. Rippetoe died on 3 April 2003 of wounds sustained when a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device detonated at a checkpoint southwest of Haditha Dam, Iraq.

Rippetoe was commissioned in the Army as a Field Artillery Officer in 1999 after graduating from Metro State College in Denver, Colorado. He served in 3rd Battalion, 319th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before joining 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, in 2002.

CPT Rippetoe deployed with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment as a Fire Support Officer and was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



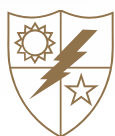
CPL ANDREW F. CHRIS

25 June 2003, Iraq

Born in Huntsville, Alabama, Corporal Andrew F. Chris died on 25 June 2003 of wounds sustained in combat in Iraq.

Chris enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2001 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, the Basic Airborne Course, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 2002 he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, and in 2003 graduated from the Army Ranger Course.

CPL Chris served as a rifleman, grenadier, and machine gunner with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. His unit was in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





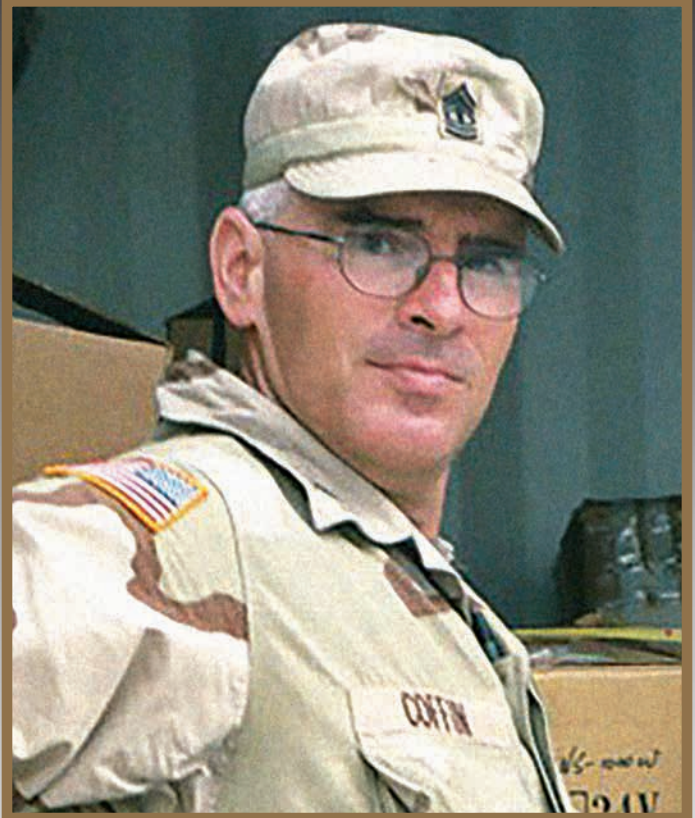
SSG TIMOTHY M. CONNEWAY

28 June 2003, Iraq

Staff Sergeant Timothy M. Conneway, of Enterprise, Alabama, died on 28 June 2003 of wounds received two days prior when the vehicle he was in struck an improvised explosive device in Baghdad, Iraq.

Conneway enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1999 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, the Basic Airborne Course, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 2000 he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, and he later graduated from the Army Ranger Course.

SSG Conneway was serving as a team leader with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



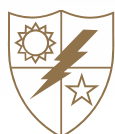
1SG CHRISTOPHER D. COFFIN

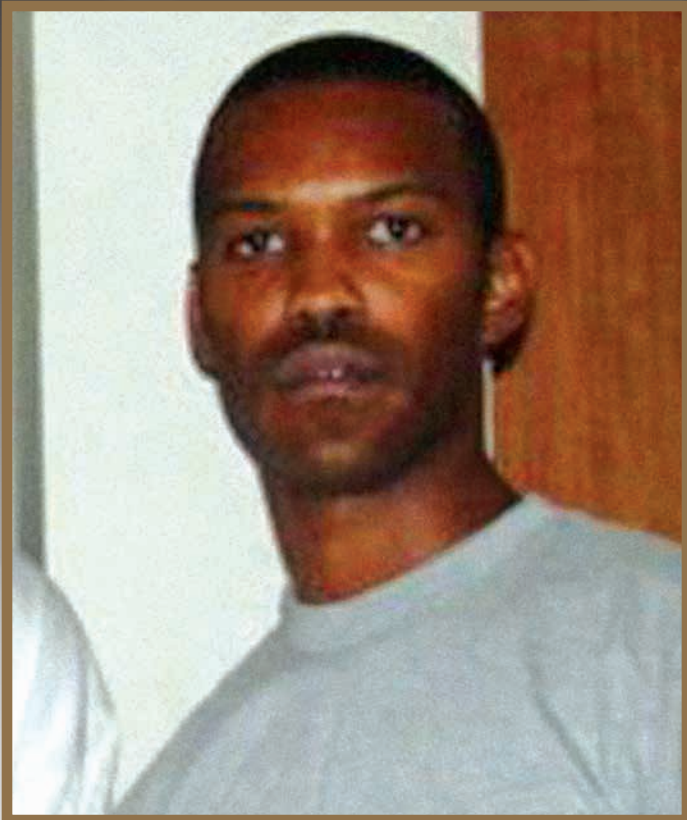
1 July 2003, Iraq

From Kennebunkport, Maine, First Sergeant Christopher D. Coffin died on 1 July 2003 in a vehicle accident on Highway 8 in Iraq.

Coffin enlisted in the Army in 1971 as an Armor Crewman. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, he served in 2nd Battalion, 33rd Armored Regiment in Ayers Kaserne, Germany. In 1974 he joined the U.S. Army Reserve. Before being promoted to 1SG, he was a Team Sergeant in 404th Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Dix, New Jersey.

1SG Coffin was serving in the 352nd Civil Affairs Command, Riverdale Park, Maryland, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





CPL MARK A. BIBBY

21 July 2003, Iraq

Born in Wilmington, North Carolina, Corporal Mark A. Bibby died on 21 July 2003 when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device in Baghdad, Iraq.

Bibby enlisted in the Army in 1997 as a Chemical Operations Specialist. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training he was assigned to 27th Engineer Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 2001 he joined the U.S. Army Reserve and attended college at North Carolina A&T University.

CPL Bibby was assigned to 422nd Civil Affairs Battalion, Greensboro, North Carolina, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



LTC ANTHONY L. SHERMAN

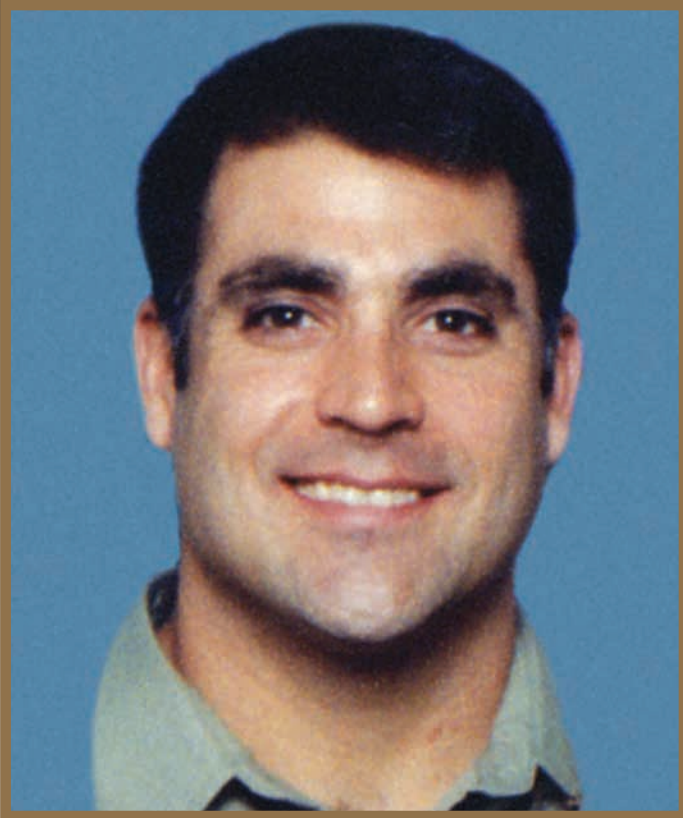
27 August 2003, Kuwait

A Pennsylvania native, Lieutenant Colonel Anthony L. Sherman died of cardiac arrest on 27 August 2003 in Kuwait while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Sherman was commissioned as a Medical Service Corps Officer in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1982. After becoming a Civil Affairs Officer, he deployed twice to Bosnia with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Stabilization Force.

LTC Sherman was assigned as the Plans Officer in the 304th Civil Affairs Brigade, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at the time of his death.





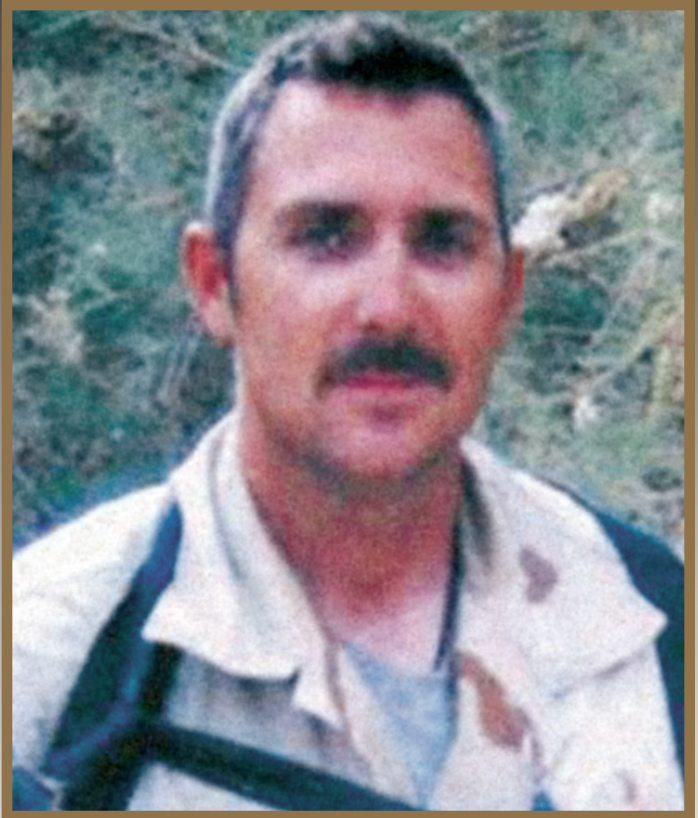
SFC MITCHELL A. LANE

29 August 2003, Afghanistan

A California native, Sergeant First Class Mitchell A. Lane died on 29 August 2003 of injuries suffered during a fast rope infiltration while on a night combat assault in Zabul Province, Afghanistan.

Lane enlisted in the California Army National Guard in 1987 and volunteered for active duty in 1991. A Combat Engineer, he served in several assignments before volunteering for the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1995. After graduation, he was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Lane was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC WILLIAM M. BENNETT

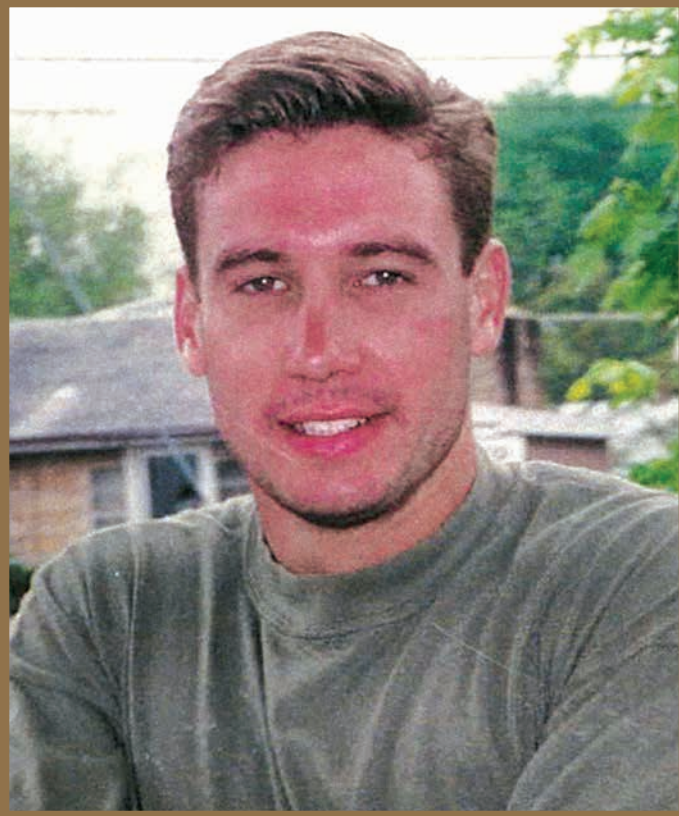
12 September 2003, Iraq

A Tennessee native, Sergeant First Class William M. Bennett was killed in action on 12 September 2003 near the town of Ar-Ramadi, Iraq.

Bennett enlisted in the Army as an Engineer in 1986 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. After completing Army Diver training at Panama City, Florida, he joined the 7th Engineer Detachment, Fort Kobbe, Panama, during Operation JUST CAUSE. Following service in Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM, he volunteered for the Special Forces Qualification Course. On graduating in 1995 he was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SFC Bennett was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





MSG KEVIN N. MOREHEAD

12 September 2003, Iraq

A native of Arkansas, Master Sergeant Kevin N. Morehead was killed in action on 12 September 2003 near the town of Ar-Ramadi, Iraq.

Morehead enlisted in the Army as a Combat Medic in 1989 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. After participating in Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM, he volunteered for the Special Forces Qualification Course. On graduating in 1994 he was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

MSG Morehead was assigned as a Team Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



LTC CHARLES H. BUEHRING

26 October 2003, Iraq

A resident of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Buehring was killed on 26 October 2003 in a rocket-propelled grenade attack on the Al Rasheed Hotel in Baghdad, Iraq.

Buehring was commissioned in the Army as an Infantry Officer on graduation from The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina in 1985. After a tour of duty with the 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, New York, he volunteered for Special Forces and served with the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He also was assigned to the 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

LTC Buehring was serving as the Chief of the Military Information Support Team, U.S. Army Central Command (Forward), Fort MacPherson, Georgia, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG PAUL A. SWEENEY

30 October 2003, Afghanistan

Staff Sergeant Paul A. Sweeney of Lakeland, Pennsylvania, died 30 October 2003 of wounds sustained during an ambush near Musa Qalax, Afghanistan.

Sweeney enlisted in the Army in 1987 as a Bradley Fighting Vehicle Crewman. In 2000 he volunteered for Special Forces and graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2001. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Sweeney was serving as a Communications Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SGT JAY M. BLESSING

14 November 2003, Afghanistan

A native of Tacoma, Washington, Sergeant Jay M. Blessing was killed in action on 14 November 2003 by an improvised explosive device while on patrol in eastern Afghanistan.

Blessing enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1998 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After completing the Basic Airborne Course and the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he joined 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He later graduated from the Army Ranger Course.

SGT Blessing was serving in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





PFC CHARLES E. BUSH, JR

19 December 2003, Iraq

A native of New York, Private First Class Charles E. Bush, Jr. was killed on 19 December 2003 in a vehicle accident near the town of Balad, Iraq.

Bush enlisted in the Army as a Food Service Specialist in 1990 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Lee, Virginia. He later joined the U.S. Army Reserve and trained as a Petroleum Supply Specialist in the 277th Quartermaster Company, Niagara Falls, New York.

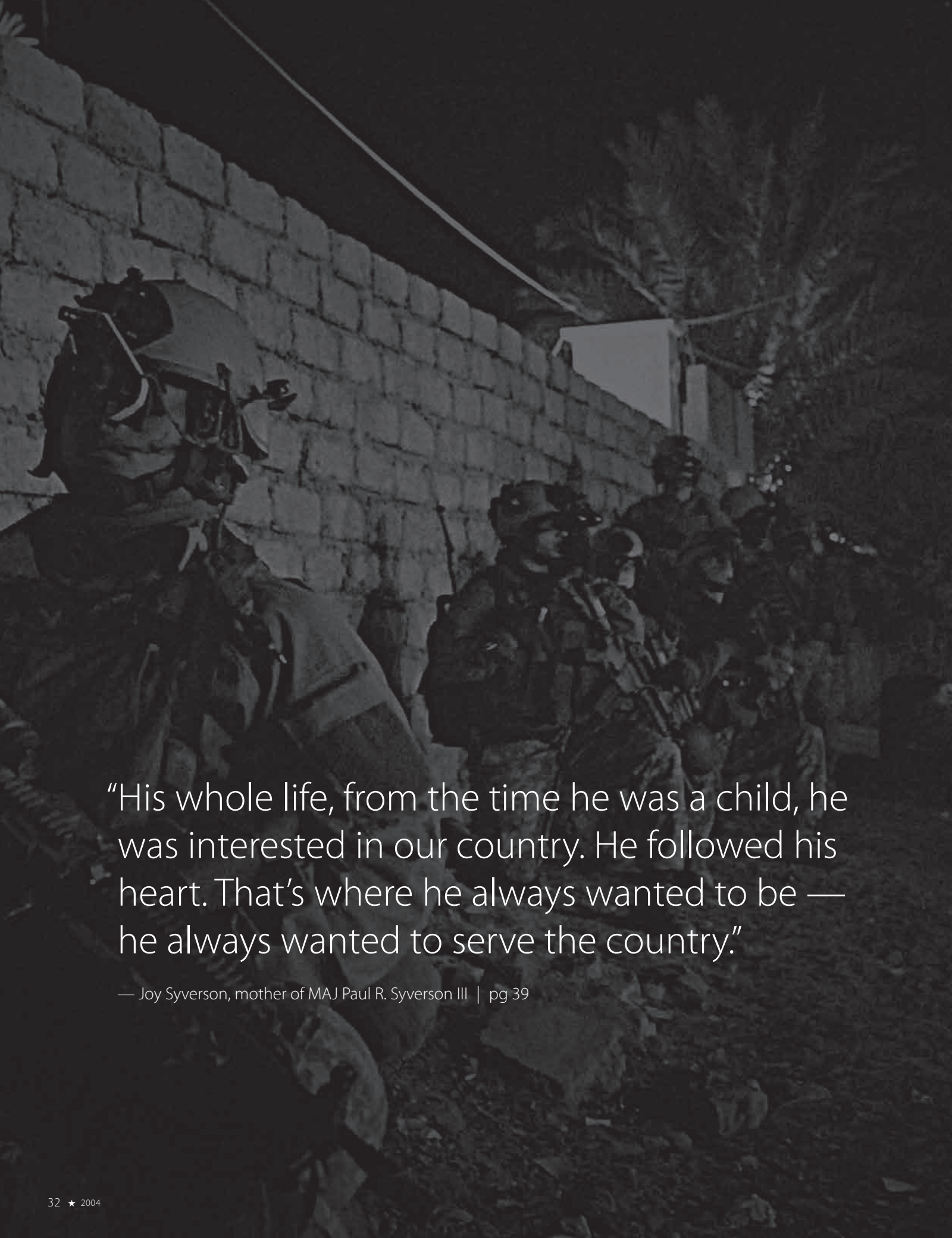
PFC Bush was later assigned as a Food Service Specialist in 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion, 345th Civil Affairs Brigade, Tonawanda, New York. He was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



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MSG Richard L. Ferguson
SGM Michael B. Stack
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“His whole life, from the time he was a child, he was interested in our country. He followed his heart. That’s where he always wanted to be — he always wanted to serve the country.”

— Joy Syverson, mother of MAJ Paul R. Syverson III | pg 39



SGT ROY A. WOOD

9 January 2004, Afghanistan

A Florida native, Sergeant Roy A. Wood was killed in a vehicle accident on 9 January 2004 near Kabul, Afghanistan.

Wood was commissioned in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1979 as a Quartermaster Officer and assigned to the 421st Quartermaster Company in Fort Valley, Georgia. In 1982 he joined Company A, 3rd Battalion, 11th Special Forces Group, Fort Meade, Maryland. In 1996, he was assigned as an Individual Mobilization Augmentee to U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. A qualified physician, in 2001 he joined the Florida Army National Guard as the Surgeon for 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp Blanding, Florida. After resigning his commission in 2002 he joined Company C, 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

SGT Wood was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in Company C, 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MSG KELLY L. HORNBECK

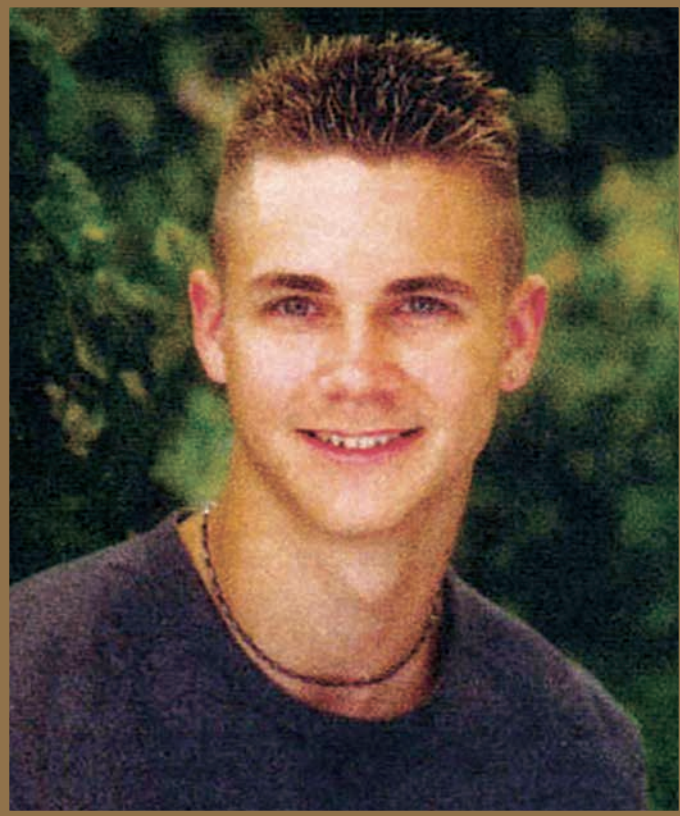
18 January 2004, Iraq

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, Master Sergeant Kelly L. Hornbeck died on 18 January 2004 from wounds received in action on a patrol near Baghdad, Iraq.

Hornbeck enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1987 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following his assignment to the 3rd Infantry Regiment, Fort Myer, Virginia, he volunteered for Special Forces. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and served with both the 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

MSG Hornbeck was assigned as a Team Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SPC ADAM G. KINSER

29 January 2004, Afghanistan

A California native, Specialist Adam G. Kinser died on 29 January 2004 of injuries sustained when an ammunition dump exploded near Ghazni, Afghanistan.

Kinser enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2001 as a Psychological Operations Trainee. Following graduation from the Psychological Operations Specialist Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he was assigned to the 304th Psychological Operations Company, Sacramento, California.

SPC Kinser was assigned as a Psychological Operations Specialist in the 304th Psychological Operations Company, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC CURTIS MANCINI

29 January 2004, Afghanistan

A resident of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Sergeant First Class Curtis Mancini died on 29 January 2004 of injuries sustained when an ammunition dump exploded near Ghazni, Afghanistan.

Mancini enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1981. In 1987 he transferred to the Florida Army National Guard and served with 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp Blanding, Florida, and 487th Civil Affairs Battalion, Perrine, Florida.

SFC Mancini was assigned to 486th Civil Affairs Battalion, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SGT DANTON K. SEITSINGER

29 January 2004, Afghanistan

A resident of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Sergeant Danton K. Seitsinger died on 29 January 2004 of injuries sustained when an ammunition dump exploded near Ghazni, Afghanistan.

Seitsinger enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1993 as a mortarman. In 2000 he left active duty and joined the U.S. Army Reserve, serving with 486th Civil Affairs Battalion, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. He graduated from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Seitsinger was serving as a Civil Affairs NCO in 486th Civil Affairs Battalion, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SPC NICHOLE M. FRYE

16 February 2004, Iraq

A Wisconsin native, Specialist Nichole M. Frye was killed on 16 February 2004 by an improvised explosive device near Baqubah, Iraq.

Frye enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2002 as a Civil Affairs Trainee. Following graduation from the Civil Affairs Specialist Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, she joined 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion, Green Bay, Wisconsin, prior to being mobilized.

SPC Frye was a Civil Affairs Specialist in 415th Civil Affairs Battalion, Kalamazoo, Michigan, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of her death.





MSG RICHARD L. FERGUSON

30 March 2004, Iraq

A native of New Hampshire, Master Sergeant Richard L. Ferguson was killed in a vehicle accident on 30 March 2004 near Sammara, Iraq.

Ferguson enlisted in the Army in 1976 and soon after volunteered for Special Forces. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he served for over two decades with the 10th Special Forces Group at Bad Toelz, Germany, and Fort Carson, Colorado.

MSG Ferguson was assigned as a Team Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SGM MICHAEL B. STACK

11 April 2004, Iraq

A native of Lake City, South Carolina, Sergeant Major Michael B. Stack was killed in a combat action on 11 April 2004 in Al Anbar Province, Iraq.

Stack enlisted in the Army in 1977 as an Infantryman and served in several units, to include the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 1988, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In the intervening years he served with the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He also served as an Instructor at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School at Fort Bragg.

SGM Stack was assigned as a Company Sergeant Major in 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





CPL PATRICK D. TILLMAN

22 April 2004, Afghanistan

A California native, Corporal Patrick D. Tillman was killed in a friendly fire incident on 22 April 2004 while on patrol in southeastern Afghanistan.

Following the terrorist attacks of 9/11, Tillman put a successful career in the National Football League on hold and enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman. Signing up as a Ranger Trainee, he completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After completing the Basic Airborne Course and the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he joined 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He deployed in support of both Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. In 2003 he graduated from the Army Ranger Course.

CPL Tillman was serving in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at the time of his death.



CW3 BRUCE E. PRICE

15 May 2004, Afghanistan

A resident of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Bruce E. Price was fatally wounded on 15 May 2004 when his vehicle was struck by small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades during a combat patrol in southern Afghanistan.

Price enlisted in the Army in 1986 and in 1992 volunteered for Special Forces. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he served as a Weapons Sergeant. In 1998 he graduated from Warrant Officer Candidate School, Fort Rucker, Alabama, and the Special Forces Warrant Officer Basic Course at Fort Bragg. He was then assigned to 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg.

CW3 Price was assigned as an Assistant Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





CPT DANIEL W. EGGERS

29 May 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Cape Coral, Florida, Captain Daniel W. Eggers was killed on 29 May 2004 by an improvised explosive device during a combat patrol near Kandahar, Afghanistan.

After graduating in 1997 from The Citadel, in Charleston, South Carolina, Eggers was commissioned in the Army and served in several assignments. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2002, and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group at Fort Bragg.

CPT Eggers was assigned as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SPC JOSEPH A. JEFFRIES

29 May 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Beaverton, Oregon, Specialist Joseph A. Jeffries was killed on 29 May 2004 by an improvised explosive device during a combat patrol near Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Jeffries enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in October 2001 as a Psychological Operations Trainee. Following graduation from the Psychological Operations Specialist Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he was assigned to the 320th Psychological Operations Company, Portland, Oregon. His unit was activated and attached to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Afghanistan.

SPC Jeffries was assigned as a Psychological Operations Specialist supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC ROBERT J. MOGENSEN

29 May 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Leesville, Louisiana, Sergeant First Class Robert J. Mogensen was killed on 29 May 2004 by an improvised explosive device during a combat patrol near Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Mogensen enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1995. After completing his Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2000 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg.

SFC Mogensen was assigned as a Senior Weapons Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, and was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MAJ PAUL R. SYVERSON III

16 June 2004, Iraq

A native of Arlington Heights, Illinois, Major Paul R. Syverson III was killed on 16 June 2004 during a 107mm rocket attack on Logistical Support Area Anaconda, Balad, Iraq.

Syverson was commissioned as a Field Artillery Officer after graduating from the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Virginia in 1993. His first assignment was with 3rd Battalion, 41st Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Stewart, Georgia. In 1998 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served as Detachment Commander, battalion staff officer, and commanded the Headquarters Support Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group.

MAJ Syverson was serving as the 5th Special Forces Group Assistant Operations Officer and was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG PAUL C. MARDIS, JR

15 July 2004, Iraq

A Florida native, Staff Sergeant Paul C. Mardis, Jr. died on 15 July 2004 from wounds received by an improvised explosive device on 20 May 2004 near Mosul, Iraq.

Mardis enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in September 1998. He completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and joined the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In late 2002 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SSG Mardis was serving as an Engineer Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group at the time of his death. He deployed in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM.



CPT MICHAEL Y. TARLAVSKY

12 August 2004, Iraq

A native of New Jersey, Captain Michael Y. Tarlavsky was killed in action on 12 August 2004 in Najaf, Iraq.

Tarlavsky was commissioned as an Infantry Officer following his graduation from Rutgers University in 1996. In 2001 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he deployed in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM.

CPT Tarlavsky was serving as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group at the time of his death.





SSG AARON N. HOLLEYMAN

30 August 2004, Iraq

A native of Glasgow, Vermont, Staff Sergeant Aaron N. Holleyman died on 30 August 2004 from wounds received in action by an improvised explosive device near Khutayiah, Iraq.

Holleyman enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 1996. He completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, and joined the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In late 2003 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SSG Holleyman was serving as a Medical Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group and was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SSG ROBERT S. GOODWIN

20 September 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Albany, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Robert S. Goodwin was killed in action on 20 September 2004 during a combat patrol in Paktika Province, Afghanistan.

Goodwin enlisted in the Army as a Medical Specialist in March 1989. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, he was assigned to the 44th Medical Brigade, Fort Benning, Georgia. Following a deployment to Operation DESERT STORM, he retrained as an Infantryman. In late 2003 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Goodwin was serving as a Weapons Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group and was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG TONY B. OLAES

20 September 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Walhalla, South Carolina, Staff Sergeant Tony B. Olaes died 20 September 2004 during a combat patrol near the town of Shkin in Paktika Province, Afghanistan.

Olaes enlisted in the South Carolina Army National Guard in 1992, left the military in 1998, and reenlisted in the Regular Army in 1999 as a Multi-channel Transmissions System Operator-Maintainer. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2001.

SSG Olaes was assigned as a Medical Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was serving in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



PFC NATHAN E. STAHL

21 September 2004, Iraq

A native of Highland, Indiana, Private First Class Nathan E. Stahl was killed on 21 September 2004, by an improvised explosive device while on a combat patrol in central Iraq.

Stahl enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 2003 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in January 2004.

PFC Stahl was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, where he served until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





LTC MARK P. PHELAN

13 October 2004, Iraq

A resident of Green Lane, Pennsylvania, Lieutenant Colonel Mark P. Phelan died 13 October 2004 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Mosul, Iraq.

On graduating in 1983 from West Chester University, Phelan was commissioned as an Armor Officer. He later joined the U.S. Army Reserve and became a Civil Affairs Officer assigned to 416th Civil Affairs Battalion, Norristown, Pennsylvania.

LTC Phelan had extended his tour of duty in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM to work with 443rd Civil Affairs Battalion, Warwick, Rhode Island, at the time of his death.



MAJ CHARLES R. SOLTES, JR

13 October 2004, Iraq

A native of Irvine, California, Major Charles R. Soltes, Jr. died 13 October 2004, from an improvised explosive device near Mosul, Iraq.

A graduate of Norwich University, Soltes was commissioned in 1990 in the U.S. Army Reserve. Following graduation from the New England College of Optometry in 1994, he served on active duty as an Optometrist. In 1999 he returned to the reserves and was assigned to the 7214th Medical Support Unit, Garden Grove, California.

MAJ Soltes joined 426th Civil Affairs Battalion in Upland, California in February 2004 as the Preventive Medicine Officer. He served there until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SSG MICHAEL G. OWEN

15 October 2004, Iraq

A native of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Staff Sergeant Michael G. Owen died 15 October 2004 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Karabilah, Iraq.

Owen enlisted in the Army in 1992 as an Automated Logistics Specialist and retrained as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 2002. He was assigned to 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and deployed to Haiti in March 2004.

SSG Owen was serving as team leader of a three-man tactical Psychological Operations team during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he died.



CPL JONATHAN J. SANTOS

15 October 2004, Iraq

A native of Bellingham, Washington, Corporal Jonathan J. Santos died 15 October 2004 from an improvised explosive device in Karabilah, Iraq.

Santos enlisted in the Army in 2001 as a Psychological Operations Trainee. He graduated from the Psychological Operations Specialist Course in 2002 and was assigned to 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPL Santos had deployed to Haiti in March 2004 as a member of a three-man tactical Psychological Operations team. He was deployed with 9th Psychological Operations Battalion at the time of his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





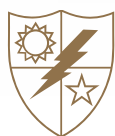
CPL WILLIAM M. AMUNDSON, JR

18 October 2004, Afghanistan

A native of the Woodlands, Texas, Corporal William M. Amundson, Jr. died 18 October 2004 when the Ground Mobility Vehicle in which he was riding rolled over during a ground assault infiltration mission in eastern Afghanistan.

Amundson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 2001. He graduated from One Station Unit Training, the Basic Airborne Course and the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia.

CPL Amundson was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia as a 60 millimeter mortarman in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.



SGT BRYAN L. FREEMAN, JR

8 November 2004, Iraq

A native of Lumberton, New Jersey, Sergeant Bryan L. Freeman, Jr. died 8 November 2004 when he came under small arms fire while conducting a vehicle search in Baghdad, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Freeman entered the Army in 1993 as a Cannon Crewmember at Fort Drum, New York. Leaving the active Army in 1997, he joined the New Jersey Army National Guard.

In 2003, SGT Freeman became a Civil Affairs Sergeant with 404th Civil Affairs Battalion, U.S. Army Reserve. He then transferred to 443rd Civil Affairs Battalion, Warwick, Rhode Island, where he was serving at the time of his death.





SGT MICHAEL C. O'NEILL

21 November 2004, Afghanistan

A native of Mansfield, Ohio, Sergeant Michael C. O'Neill died 21 November 2004, from injuries sustained while preparing for combat operations at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.

O'Neill enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 2001. He completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, followed by the Ranger Indoctrination Program.

SGT O'Neill was assigned as a team leader in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, and was on his third deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he died.



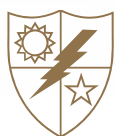
SGM ROBERT D. ODELL

21 December 2004, Iraq

A native of Apple Valley, California, Sergeant Major Robert D. Odell died 21 December 2004 when a suicide bomber attacked a dining facility in Mosul, Iraq.

Odell enlisted in the Army in 1985 and later graduated from the Army Ranger Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served in a variety of assignments prior to graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1989. He deployed in support of Operation JUST CAUSE and Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM.

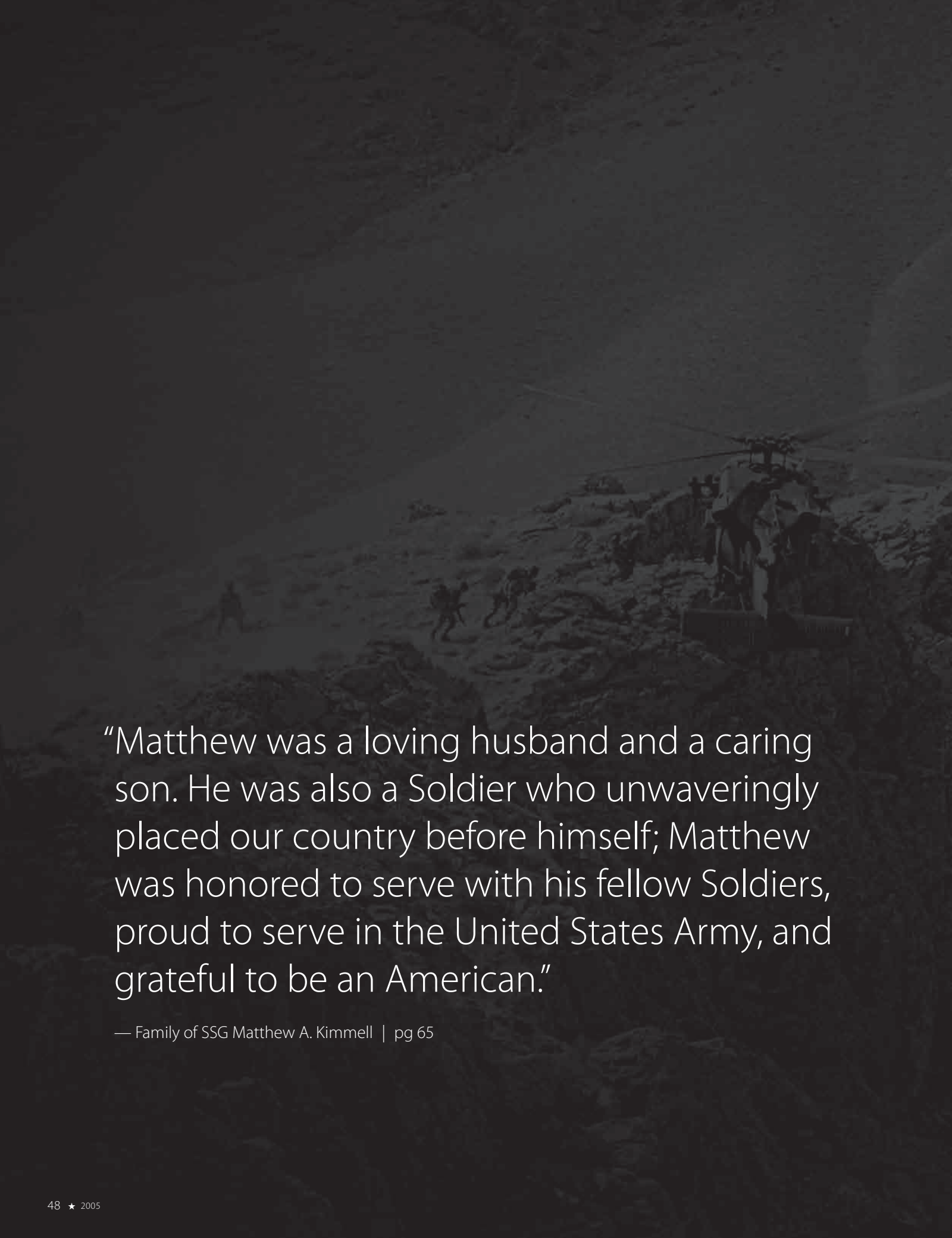
At the time of his death, SGM Odell was assigned to the Intelligence and Security Command, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



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A dark, grainy photograph of soldiers in a field, with a helicopter visible in the background. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting a night or low-light environment. Several soldiers are visible in the foreground and middle ground, some appearing to be in motion or engaged in an activity. A helicopter is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image, its rotors visible. The overall tone is somber and historical.

“Matthew was a loving husband and a caring son. He was also a Soldier who unwaveringly placed our country before himself; Matthew was honored to serve with his fellow Soldiers, proud to serve in the United States Army, and grateful to be an American.”

— Family of SSG Matthew A. Kimmell | pg 65



SFC PEDRO A. MUNOZ

2 January 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Quebradillas, Puerto Rico, Sergeant First Class Pedro A. Munoz died 2 January 2005 when he was struck by enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Shindand, Afghanistan.

Munoz enlisted in the Army as an Automated Logistical Specialist in February 1986. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1990 and was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. His previous deployments included Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM, and Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY.

In 2002 SFC Munoz was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as an Operations and Intelligence Sergeant until his death during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SGT JEREMY R. WRIGHT

3 January 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Shelbyville, Indiana, Sergeant Jeremy R. Wright died on 3 January 2005 from wounds suffered by an improvised explosive device near Asadabad, Afghanistan.

Wright enlisted in the Army in 2001 under the Special Forces Candidate Program and attended Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in July 2004.

SGT Wright was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, where he served until his death in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SFC MICKEY E. ZAUN

28 January 2005, Iraq

A native of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, Sergeant First Class Mickey E. Zaun died 28 January 2005 from non-battle injuries sustained in a vehicle accident near Mosul, Iraq.

Zaun enlisted in the Army as a Chemical Operations Specialist in August 1995 and served in the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. His first Special Operations assignment was with the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, from 1999 to 2001.

SFC Zaun returned to Special Operations in March 2003. He served as a Nuclear, Biological, Chemical Operations NCO with the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, until his death in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SFC ALLEN C. JOHNSON

26 April 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Los Molinos, California, Sergeant First Class Allen C. Johnson died 26 April 2005 when his unit was attacked while on a combat patrol in Khanaqin, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Johnson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 1991 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, before assignment to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. In 2002 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course.

SFC Johnson was assigned as a Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.





SFC STEVEN M. LANGMACK

31 May 2005, Iraq

A native of Seattle, Washington, Sergeant First Class Steven M. Langmack died 31 May 2005 as a result of wounds suffered during combat operations in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Langmack enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 1990 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served in various assignments with the 75th Ranger Regiment and graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2001. He was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Langmack was serving as a Special Operations Team Member with the U.S. Army Special Operations Command at the time of his death.



SSG LEROY E. ALEXANDER

3 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Dale City, Virginia, Staff Sergeant Leroy E. Alexander died on 3 June 2005 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his Ground Mobility Vehicle near Orgun-e, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Alexander enlisted in the Army as an Engineer in August 1997. He was assigned to 27th Engineer Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Alexander graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004 and was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





CPT CHARLES D. ROBINSON

3 June 2005, Afghanistan

A resident of Haddon Heights, New Jersey, Captain Charles D. Robinson died 3 June 2005 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his Ground Mobility Vehicle near Orgun-e, Afghanistan.

On graduating from Cedarville College in Ohio, Robinson was commissioned as an Infantry Officer. His first assignment was with the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in December 2003.

CPT Robinson was assigned as a Detachment Commander to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, until his death during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SFC VICTOR H. CERVANTES

10 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Stockton, California, Sergeant First Class Victor H. Cervantes died 10 June 2005 while serving as a member of a quick reaction force near Orgun-e, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Cervantes enlisted in the Army as a Cavalry Scout at Fort Knox, Kentucky, in July 1996.

SFC Cervantes graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2000 and was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, until his death.





SSG CHRISTOPHER N. PIPER

16 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Marblehead, Massachusetts, Staff Sergeant Christopher N. Piper died 16 June 2005 from wounds sustained 3 June 2005 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his Ground Mobility Vehicle near Orgun-e, Afghanistan.

Piper enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1980 and served in Beirut, Lebanon, leaving active duty in 1983. He reenlisted in the Army in 1995, graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, and served with the 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama, and the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Piper was assigned in 2004 as a Communications Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. At the time of his death his unit was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



MSG ROBERT M. HORRIGAN

17 June 2005, Iraq

A native of Limestone, Maine, Master Sergeant Robert M. Horrigan died 17 June 2005 from small arms fire in western Iraq during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Horrigan enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 1984 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia before serving with the 75th Ranger Regiment. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in September 1991, he was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Horrigan was serving as a Team Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group at the time of his death.





MSG MICHAEL L. McNULTY

17 June 2005, Iraq

A native of Gastonia, North Carolina, Master Sergeant Michael L. McNulty died 17 June 2005 as a result of wounds suffered in combat near Al Qaim, Iraq.

McNulty enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1986 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served in a variety of Infantry assignments and graduated from the Army Ranger Course.

MSG McNulty was assigned as a Special Operations Team Member in the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SSG SHAMUS O. GOARE

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Danville, Ohio, Staff Sergeant Shamus O. Goare died 28 June 2005 when his MH-47 Chinook helicopter was shot down by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Goare enlisted in the Army as a Medium Lift Helicopter Repairer in 1994. After several assignments, including duty in Korea, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned as a Flight Engineer to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SSG Goare was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





CW3 COREY J. GOODNATURE

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Clarks Grove, Minnesota, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Corey J. Goodnature died 28 June 2005 when his aircraft was struck by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

On graduating from the University of Minnesota in 1991, Goodnature joined the Army as a Parachute Rigger and was assigned to the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He attended the Warrant Officer Basic Aviation Course at Fort Rucker, Alabama, in 1995.

CW3 Goodnature completed Green Platoon in 1998, and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, where he served as a Pilot until his death.



SGT KIP A. JACOBY

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Pompano, Florida, Sergeant Kip A. Jacoby died 28 June 2005 when his MH-47 Chinook helicopter was struck by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

Jacoby enlisted in the Army as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repairer in October 2002. He completed Green Platoon in 2004 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Jacoby was serving as an MH-47 Crew Chief in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC MARCUS V. MURALLES

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Shelbyville, Indiana, Sergeant First Class Marcus V. Muralles died 28 June 2005 when his aircraft was struck by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

Muralles enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in December 1988 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training before assignment to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He was reclassified in 1998 as a Medical Sergeant. In 2003, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SFC Muralles was serving as an Aerial Flight Medic in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MSG JAMES W. PONDER III

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Franklin, Tennessee, Master Sergeant James W. Ponder III died 28 June 2005 when his aircraft was struck by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

Ponder enlisted in the Army in 1990 as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repair Specialist, and was assigned to the Republic of Korea. In 1992, he completed Green Platoon and joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

MSG Ponder was serving as a Flight Engineer in 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, at the time of his death.





MAJ STEPHEN C. REICH

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Washington Depot, Connecticut, Major Stephen C. Reich died 28 June 2005 when his MH-47 Chinook was struck by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

On graduating from the U.S. Military Academy in 1993, Reich was commissioned in the Aviation Branch and completed helicopter pilot training in 1995. In 2001 he completed Green Platoon and joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

MAJ Reich was serving as commander, Company B, 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC MICHAEL L. RUSSELL

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Stafford, Virginia, Sergeant First Class Michael L. Russell died 28 June 2005 when his MH-47 Chinook was downed by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

Russell enlisted in the Army as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repairer in October 1991, and was assigned to Barbers Point, Hawaii. In 1996, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, at Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SFC Russell was serving as a Flight Engineer in 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, at the time of his death.





CW4 CHRIS J. SCHERKENBACH

28 June 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Jacksonville, Florida, Chief Warrant Officer 4, Chris J. Scherkenbach died 28 June 2005 when his MH-47 Chinook was downed by a rocket propelled grenade near Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

Scherkenbach enlisted in the Army as a Communications Specialist in April 1987. He graduated from the Warrant Officer Program in 1990 and completed Initial Entry Rotary Wing training in 1991 at Fort Rucker, Alabama. After completing Green Platoon he joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

CW4 Scherkenbach was assigned as an MH-47 Chinook Pilot in 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, when he died during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SGT JASON T. PALMERTON

23 July 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Hamburg, Iowa, Sergeant Jason T. Palmerton died 23 July 2005 when his unit was ambushed near Qal'eh-Ye Gaz, Afghanistan.

Palmerton enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2002 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004.

SGT Palmerton was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he died in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





PFC DAMIAN J. GARZA

4 August 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Midland, Texas, Private First Class Damian J. Garza died 4 August 2005 during a mounted combat patrol northeast of Jalalabad, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Garza enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in April 2004. He completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program in November 2004.

PFC Garza was assigned as an Ammunition Bearer to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served until his death.



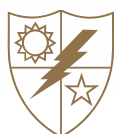
PV2 JOHN M. HENDERSON, JR

4 August 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Columbus, Georgia, Private John M. Henderson, Jr. died 4 August 2005, of wounds sustained when his unit was attacked while conducting a mounted combat patrol northeast of Jalalabad, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Henderson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in December 2004 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in May 2005.

PV2 Henderson was assigned as a mortarman to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served until his death.





SFC BRETT E. WALDEN

5 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, Sergeant First Class Brett E. Walden died 5 August 2005, in a combat engagement near Rabi'ah, Iraq.

Walden enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 1987. Following completion of Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he served in several assignments before volunteering for Special Forces. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in October 2000.

SFC Walden was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG CHRISTOPHER M. FALKEL

8 August 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Highlands Ranch, Colorado, Staff Sergeant Christopher M. Falkel died 8 August 2005, when his unit was conducting combat operations near Deh Afghan, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Falkel enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2001 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

SSG Falkel graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in June 2003 and was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





CPT JEREMY A. CHANDLER

11 August 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Richmond Hill, Georgia, Captain Jeremy A. Chandler died 11 August 2005, when he was preparing for combat operations near Tarin Khowt, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from North Georgia College, Chandler was commissioned as an Infantry Officer.

CPT Chandler graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2003 and was assigned as a Detachment Commander to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



SFC TREVOR J. DIESING

25 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Red Wing, Minnesota, Sergeant First Class Trevor J. Diesing died 25 August 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his position in Husaybah, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Diesing enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 1993. He subsequently served in the Minnesota Army National Guard and as an Engineer Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

SFC Diesing was assigned as a Special Operations Team member in the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, where he served until his death.





MSG IVICA JERAK

25 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Debeljak, Croatia, Master Sergeant Ivica Jerak died 25 August 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his position in Husaybah, Iraq.

Jerak enlisted in the U.S. Army in January 1988 as a Combat Medic and was assigned to the 690th Medical Company, Fort Benning, Georgia. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course he served in the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

MSG Jerak was serving as an Assistant Special Operations Team Sergeant, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he was killed.



CPL TIMOTHY M. SHEA

25 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Sonoma, California, Corporal Timothy M. Shea died 25 August 2005, from an improvised explosive device near Husaybah, Iraq.

Shea enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 2003 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in August 2003.

CPL Shea was assigned as a machine gun team leader in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He served in five combat deployments in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM.





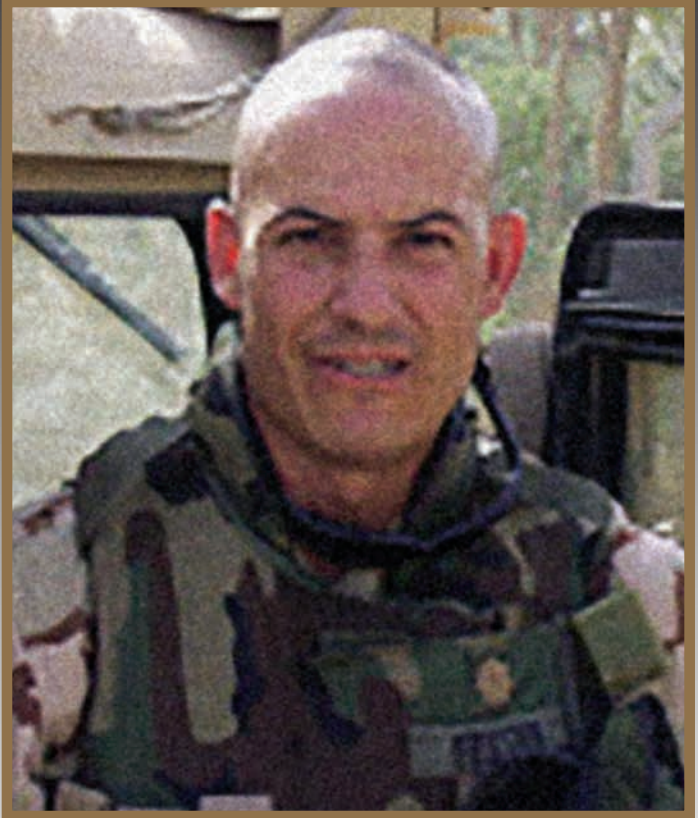
SFC OBEDIAH J. KOLATH

28 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Jefferson City, Missouri, Sergeant First Class Obediah J. Kolath died 28 August 2005, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Husaybah, Iraq, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Kolath enlisted in the Army as a Fire Support Specialist in March 1992. After completing his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to the 29th Field Artillery Regiment, Baumholder, Germany.

SFC Kolath graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. He was selected as a Special Operations Team member and assigned to U.S. Army Special Operations Command where he served until his death.



MAJ GREGORY J. FESTER

30 August 2005, Iraq

A native of Westerville, Ohio, Major Gregory J. Fester died 30 August 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his position in Al Iskandariyah, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

In March 1984, Fester enlisted as an Administrative Specialist in the Ohio Army National Guard. On graduating from Ohio State University in 1987 he was commissioned as a Field Artillery Officer.

MAJ Fester completed the Civil Affairs Advanced Course in 2001 and was assigned as a Civil Affairs Officer supporting the 322nd Civil Affairs Brigade, U.S. Army Reserve, until his death.





SFC LAWRENCE E. MORRISON

19 September 2005, Iraq

Formerly of Lexington, Kentucky, Sergeant First Class Lawrence E. Morrison died 19 September 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Taji, Iraq.

Morrison enlisted in the Army as a Medical Specialist in May 1979 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He served in a variety of active and reserve assignments before being assigned in 2005 as a Medical Sergeant for a Civil Affairs Team.

SFC Morrison was deployed in support of the U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG GARY R. HARPER, JR

9 October 2005, Iraq

A native of Virden, Illinois, Staff Sergeant Gary R. Harper, Jr. died 9 October 2005, of wounds sustained when his unit was ambushed near Baghdad, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Harper enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in May 1993 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Sill.

SSG Harper graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004 and was assigned as a Medical Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death.





SSG MATTHEW A. KIMMELL

11 October 2005, Iraq

A native of Paxton, Indiana, Staff Sergeant Matthew A. Kimmell died 11 October 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Muqdadiyah, Iraq.

Kimmell enlisted in the Indiana Army National Guard in January 1994 as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. In February 1995 he volunteered for active duty and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SSG Kimmell graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in November 2004 and was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He was deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.



PFC DILLON M. JUTRAS

28 October 2005, Iraq

A native of Fairfax Station, Virginia, Private First Class Dillon M. Jutras died 28 October 2005 of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq.

Jutras enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 2005 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program in July 2005.

PFC Jutras was assigned as a rifleman to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





MAJ JEFFREY P. TOCZYLOWSKI

3 November 2005, Iraq

A native of Upper Moreland, Pennsylvania, Major Jeffrey P. Toczykowski died 3 November 2005, when he fell from a helicopter during a combat infiltration in Al Anbar Province, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Graduating from Valley Forge Military Academy, Toczykowski was commissioned as a Military Police Officer in 1995 and was assigned to the 551st Military Police Company, Vaihingen, Germany. In 2003, he joined the staff of Special Operations Command, Europe. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2003.

MAJ Toczykowski was assigned as a Detachment Commander to 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stuttgart, Germany. He was posthumously promoted to Major.



SFC JAMES S. OCHSNER

15 November 2005, Afghanistan

A native of Waukegan, Illinois, Sergeant First Class James S. Ochsner died 15 November 2005 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Orgun-e, Afghanistan during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Ochsner enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in 1987, and reclassified as an Infantryman in 1990. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2001 and was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Ochsner was serving as an Intelligence Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group at the time of his death.





MSG ANTHONY R.C. YOST

19 November 2005, Iraq

A native of Flint, Michigan, Master Sergeant Anthony R.C. Yost died 19 November 2005, from wounds sustained by an improvised explosive device during combat operations in Mosul, Iraq.

Yost enlisted in the Army as an Armor Crewman in May 1987 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. In 1993 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course. He served with the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, and as an instructor on the Weapons Committee at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Yost was assigned as a Team Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SGT REGINA C. REALI

23 December 2005, Iraq

A native of Fresno, California, Sergeant Regina C. Reali died 23 December 2005 from wounds suffered from an improvised explosive device near Baghdad, Iraq.

Reali enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2000 as a Civil Affairs Specialist and in March 2001 graduated from the Civil Affairs Specialist Course.

SGT Reali was assigned as a Civil Affairs Specialist in 448th Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Lewis, Washington, when she died while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SGT CHEYENNE C. WILLEY

23 December 2005, Iraq

A native of Macomb, Illinois, Sergeant Cheyenne C. Willey died 23 December 2005, from an improvised explosive device near Baghdad, Iraq.

Willey enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 1995 and completed Basic Combat Training, Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served with the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina until 1999. He reenlisted in June 2004 and graduated that same year from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course.

SGT Willey was assigned as a Civil Affairs Specialist in 448th Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Lewis, Washington. He served there until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



MSG JOSEPH J. ANDRES, JR

24 December 2005, Iraq

A native of Garfield Heights, Ohio, Master Sergeant Joseph J. Andres, Jr. died 24 December 2005, when his unit was attacked during combat operations in Baqubah, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Andres enlisted as a Combat Medic in the Army Reserve in February 1992, and volunteered for active duty in April 1993.

MSG Andres graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group. At the time of his death, he was a Special Operations Team member assigned to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.





1SG TOBIAS C. MEISTER

28 December 2005, Afghanistan

A resident of Jenks, Oklahoma, First Sergeant Tobias C. Meister died 28 December 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle south of Asadabad, Afghanistan.

Meister enlisted in the Iowa Army National Guard as an Infantryman in 1992. He completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 1998 he transferred to the 1st Brigade, 95th Division, Fort Worth, Texas, and became a Drill Sergeant. He graduated from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course and the Army First Sergeant Course in 2004.

1SG Meister was assigned as First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 321st Civil Affairs Brigade, San Antonio, Texas. He was deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



CPL GEORGE A. LUTZ II

31 December 2005, Iraq

A native of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Corporal George A. Lutz II died 31 December 2005, as a result of wounds sustained from small arms fire when his dismounted patrol was attacked by enemy forces in Fallujah, Iraq.

Lutz enlisted in the Army as a Psychological Operations Specialist and graduated from the Psychological Operations Specialist Course in 2004.

CPL Lutz was assigned as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG AYMAN A. TAHA

30 December 2005, Iraq

Born in Sudan, Staff Sergeant Ayman A. Taha died 30 December 2005, when enemy ammunition being prepared for demolition exploded in Balad, Iraq.

Taha enlisted in the Army in August 2002 as a Special Forces Candidate and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. A native Arabic speaker, he graduated the Special Forces Qualification Course in January 2005.

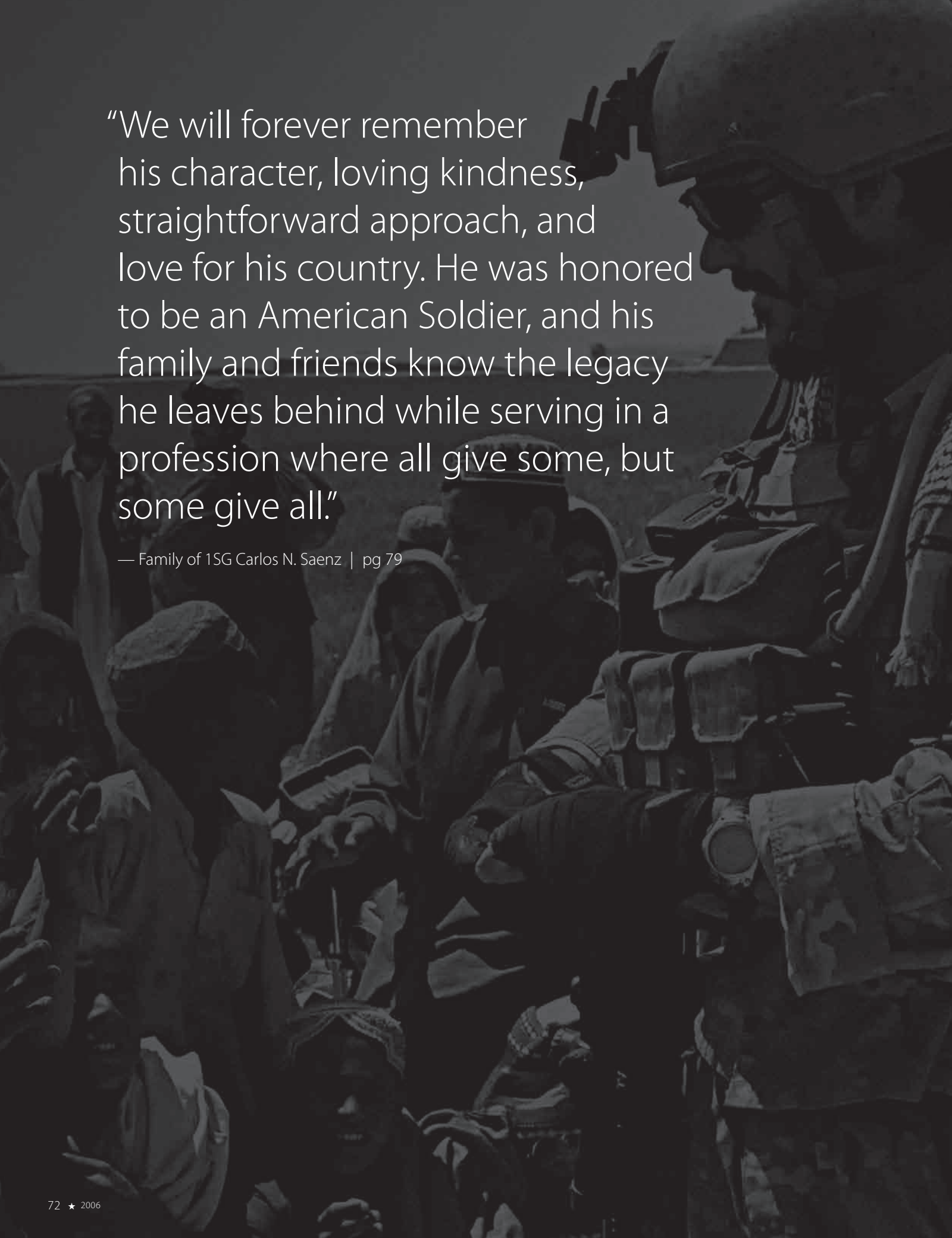
SSG Taha was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



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“We will forever remember his character, loving kindness, straightforward approach, and love for his country. He was honored to be an American Soldier, and his family and friends know the legacy he leaves behind while serving in a profession where all give some, but some give all.”

— Family of 1SG Carlos N. Saenz | pg 79



SFC LANCE S. CORNETT

3 February 2006, Iraq

A native of London, Kentucky, Sergeant First Class Lance S. Cornett died 3 February 2006, when his unit became involved in a firefight with Iraqi insurgents near Ramadi in Anbar province, Iraq during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Cornett enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 1991 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He had multiple Army assignments during his career, to include two tours with the Ranger Training Brigade.

In 2004, SFC Cornett was assigned to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command as a Special Operations Team member, where he served until his death.



SSG EDWIN H. DAZACHACON

13 February 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Diamond Bar, California, Staff Sergeant Edwin H. DazaChacon died 13 February 2006, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle north of Deh Rawood, Afghanistan during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

DazaChacon enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in March 1990. In 1997, he left active duty for the National Guard, but returned to the Regular Army in 2005.

SSG DazaChacon was assigned as a Special Operations Team-Alpha (SOT-A) team leader in April 2005 to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, where he served until his death.





SFC CHAD A. GONSALVES

13 February 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Turlock, California, Sergeant First Class Chad A. Gonsalves died 13 February 2006, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle north of Deh Rawood, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Gonsalves enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 1996. He completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment at Schweinfurt, Germany.

SFC Gonsalves completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in November 2001 and was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



SGT ALBERTO D. MONTROND

13 February 2006, Afghanistan

A native of the Republic of Cape Verde, Sergeant Alberto D. Montrond died 13 February 2006, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle north of Deh Rawood, Afghanistan.

Montrond enlisted in the U.S. Army as a Quartermaster Specialist and Chemical Equipment Repair Specialist in July 1998. He served with 307th Forward Support Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, until 2002, when he joined 528th Special Operations Support Battalion.

SGT Montrond was assigned in 2004 to Group Support Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG CLINTON T. NEWMAN

13 February 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Midland, Texas, Staff Sergeant Clinton T. Newman died 13 February 2006, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle north of Deh Rawood, Afghanistan.

Newman enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 1997 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. In June 2001, he joined the U.S. Army Reserve and graduated from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Newman was assigned to the 321st Civil Affairs Brigade, San Antonio, Texas. He was deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



MSG EMIGDIO E. ELIZARRARAS

28 February 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Pico Rivera, California, Master Sergeant Emigdio E. Elizarraras died 28 February 2006, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle north of Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Elizarraras enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1986 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

MSG Elizarraras graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1998 and was assigned as a Special Forces Intelligence Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SSG RICARDO BARRAZA

18 March 2006, Iraq

A native of Shafter, California, Staff Sergeant Ricardo Barraza died 18 March 2006 when his unit was conducting combat operations in Ar Ramadi, Iraq during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Barraza enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 1999 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

SSG Barraza completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program in March 2000 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, as a squad leader until his death.



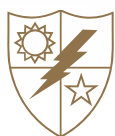
SGT DALE G.M. BREHM

19 March 2006, Iraq

A native of Turlock, California, Sergeant Dale G.M. Brehm died on 19 March 2006, from wounds sustained on 18 March 2006 when his unit was conducting combat operations in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Brehm enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 2001 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

SGT Brehm completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program in October 2001 and was assigned as a rifleman, grenadier, and team leader to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, where he served until his death.





SFC CHRISTOPHER L. ROBINSON

25 March 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Branson, Mississippi, Sergeant First Class Christopher L. Robinson died 25 March 2006 on a combat patrol in Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

Robinson enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard as a Radio Operator in 1987 and volunteered for Special Forces training. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 1988 and joined the 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama.

SFC Robinson was assigned as a Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi, where he served until his death in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SFC RICHARD J. HERREMA

25 April 2006, Iraq

A native of Hudsonville, Michigan, Sergeant First Class Richard J. Herrema died 25 April 2006 while conducting combat operations in Iraq during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Herrema enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 1999 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in June 2003 and was assigned as an instructor to 1st Battalion, 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

At the time of his death, SFC Herrema was a Special Operations Team Member with the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.





SPC TEODORO TORRES

5 May 2006, Iraq

A native of Rochester, New York, Specialist Teodoro Torres died 5 May 2006, from an improvised explosive device near Al Hillah, Iraq.

Torres enlisted in January 1998 in the U.S. Army Reserve Army as a Civil Affairs Specialist. Later that year he completed the Civil Affairs Specialist Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SPC Torres was assigned as a Civil Affairs Specialist in 490th Civil Affairs Battalion, Abilene, Texas, where he served until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG NATHAN J. VACHO

5 May 2006, Iraq

A resident of Janesville, Wisconsin, Staff Sergeant Nathan J. Vacho died 5 May 2006, from an improvised explosive device near Al Hillah, Iraq.

Vacho enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in March 1998 as a Military Firefighter assigned to the 336th Engineer Platoon, Duluth, Minnesota. In 2003, he changed career fields after completing the Army Practical Nurse Course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

SSG Vacho was assigned as a Healthcare Specialist to 489th Civil Affairs Battalion, Knoxville, Tennessee, where he served until his death during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





1SG CARLOS N. SAENZ

5 May 2006, Iraq

Born in Mexico, First Sergeant Carlos N. Saenz died 5 May 2006, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device near Al Hillah, Iraq.

Saenz enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1978 and joined 2nd Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. At the completion of his enlistment he entered the Individual Ready Reserve and served in Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM.

1SG Saenz completed the Civil Affairs Qualification Course and in 2005 was ordered to active duty with 490th Civil Affairs Battalion, Abilene, Texas. He served there until his death in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



CW5 JAMIE D. WEEKS

14 May 2006, Iraq

A native of Daleville, Alabama, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Jamie D. Weeks died on 14 May 2006 when his AH-6 Little Bird was shot down during combat operations in Yusufiyah, Iraq.

Weeks enlisted in the Army in 1980 as an Air Traffic Controller. In 1983, he graduated from Warrant Officer Candidate School and flight training as an AH-1 Cobra Attack Helicopter Pilot. He completed Green Platoon and was assigned to the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, in 1993.

CW5 Weeks was serving with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





MAJ MATTHEW W. WORRELL

14 May 2006, Iraq

A native of Lewisville, Texas, Major Matthew W. Worrell died on 14 May 2006 in Yusufiyah, Iraq, when his AH-6 Little Bird was shot down during combat operations.

Worrell was commissioned after graduating from Texas A&M University in 1995, and attended the Aviation Officer Basic Course at Fort Rucker, Alabama. In 1997, he qualified as an OH-58 Kiowa Pilot. After completing Green Platoon, he joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, in 2003.

MAJ Worrell was serving as a Flight Platoon Leader with 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment at the time of his death.



CPT SHANE R.M. MAHAFFEE

15 May 2006, Iraq

A native of Alexandria, Virginia, Captain Shane R.M. Mahaffee died on 15 May 2006 from wounds sustained while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Mahaffee earned his commission in 1991 through the ROTC program at Southwest Missouri State University. While serving in the 84th Infantry Division, U.S. Army Reserve, he completed his Juris Doctor degree from Widener University in 1994. In 2006, he graduated from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Mahaffee was assigned to 489th Civil Affairs Battalion, Knoxville, Tennessee, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle while on combat patrol in Al Hillah, Iraq.





LTC DANIEL E. HOLLAND

18 May 2006, Iraq

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Lieutenant Colonel Daniel E. Holland died on 18 May 2006 in Baghdad, Iraq.

In 1988, Holland was commissioned through the ROTC Program in the Veterinary Corps after earning a Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from Oklahoma State University. Among his assignments, he commanded the South Plains District Veterinary Command, Fort Hood, Texas.

LTC Holland was assigned to the 352nd Civil Affairs Command, Fort Meade, Maryland, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG CHRISTIAN LONGSWORTH

19 May 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Newark, New Jersey, Staff Sergeant Christian Longworth died on 19 May 2006 in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Longworth enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1998. He served in several Infantry and Ranger assignments, including serving as a Ranger Instructor with 6th Ranger Training Battalion, Fort Benning, Georgia. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006.

SSG Longworth was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was mortally wounded as his convoy came under enemy small arms fire.





SFC DANIEL B. CRABTREE

8 June 2006, Iraq

A native of Canton, Ohio, Sergeant First Class Daniel B. Crabtree died on 8 June 2006 in Al Kut, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Crabtree joined the U.S. Army Reserve in 1992 and the Ohio Army National Guard in 1993. He served as an Administrative Specialist and a Military Policeman prior to completing the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004.

SFC Crabtree was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant in the Ohio Army National Guard, Company B, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Columbus, Ohio, when he died of injuries sustained from an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle during combat operations.



MSG THOMAS D. MAHOLIC

24 June 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Bradford, Pennsylvania, Master Sergeant Thomas D. Maholic died on 24 June 2006 in Ghecko, Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Maholic enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard in 1991 and later transferred to active duty. In 1995, he completed the Special Forces Qualification Course, before being assigned to the 7th Special Forces Group. He later served as an Instructor at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Maholic was serving as a Team Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was mortally wounded by enemy small arms fire during combat operations.





SSG MICHAEL A. DICKINSON II

17 July 2006, Iraq

A native of Battle Creek, Michigan, Staff Sergeant Michael A. Dickinson II died on 17 July 2006 in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Dickinson joined the Army in 1998 as a Psychological Operations Specialist. He served in both the 6th and 9th Psychological Operations Battalions, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Dickinson was assigned to 9th Psychological Operations Battalion when he sustained injuries from small arms fire after his dismounted patrol encountered enemy forces.



SSG ERIC CABAN

19 July 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, Staff Sergeant Eric Caban died on 19 July 2006 in southern Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Caban enlisted in the Army in 1997 and served with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He left active duty in 2002 but returned to service in 2003 and completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006.

SSG Caban was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as an Engineer Sergeant when his combat reconnaissance patrol encountered enemy forces on 18 July and he sustained injuries from small arms fire.





SFC MERIDETH L. HOWARD

8 September 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Alameda, California, Sergeant First Class Merideth L. Howard died on 8 September 2006 in Kabul, Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Howard enlisted as a Medical Repair Specialist in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1988 and served until 1994. She was recalled to active duty in 2005, completed the Mobilized Civil Affairs Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and deployed in the spring of 2006.

SFC Howard was assigned to 405th Civil Affairs Battalion, Pleasant Grove, Utah, when she was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near her vehicle.



SSG ROBERT J. PAUL

8 September 2006, Afghanistan

A native of The Dalles, Oregon, Staff Sergeant Robert J. Paul died on 8 September 2006 in Kabul, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Paul enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1997, two years after earning a Master's Degree in Community Planning and Economic Development from the University of Maryland. He completed Psychological Operations training and six years later the Civil Affairs Reclassification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Paul was assigned to the 351st Civil Affairs Command, Mountain View, California, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.





SPC ADAM L. KNOX

17 September 2006, Iraq

A native of Columbus, Ohio, Specialist Adam L. Knox died on 17 September 2006 in Baghdad, Iraq.

Knox enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 2003. After graduating from the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he attended Airborne, Air Assault, and Combat Lifesaver training.

SPC Knox was assigned to the 346th Psychological Operations Company, Columbus, Ohio, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, when his patrol was engaged with small arms by enemy forces.



SSG CARLOS DOMINGUEZ

23 September 2006, Iraq

A native of Savannah, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Carlos Dominguez died on 23 September 2006 in Taji, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Dominguez was drafted into the Army in 1969 and served in a number of positions before leaving active duty in 1984. In 2001, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve as a Chemical Operations Specialist. In 2005, he transferred to the U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was qualified as a Civil Affairs Specialist.

SSG Dominguez was assigned to 414th Civil Affairs Battalion, Utica, New York, when he sustained injuries from an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.





CW2 SCOTT W. DYER

11 October 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Cocoa Beach, Florida, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Scott W. Dyer died on 11 October 2006 in Banditemur, Afghanistan.

Dyer enlisted in the Army as a Cavalry Scout in 1987. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1994. After several deployments, Dyer graduated from Warrant Officer Candidate School in 2003.

CW2 Dyer was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he sustained mortal injuries in a combat action during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG RONALD L. PAULSEN

17 October 2006, Iraq

A native of Vancouver, Washington, Staff Sergeant Ronald L. Paulsen died on 17 October 2006 in Tarmiya, Iraq.

Enlisting in the Washington Army National Guard in 1982, Paulsen completed training as a Material Storage and Handling Specialist. His many assignments included a deployment during Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM. He was assigned to the Individual Ready Reserve in 1992. He was recalled to duty in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2005.

SSG Paulsen was assigned to 414th Civil Affairs Battalion, Utica, New York, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SGT DANIEL W. WINEGEART

17 October 2006, Iraq

A native of Kountze, Texas, Sergeant Daniel W. Winegeart died on 17 October 2006 in Baghdad, Iraq, when he suffered fatal injuries from a vehicle accident.

Winegeart enlisted in the Army in 2002 as an Electronics Repair Specialist. After Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia, he was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SGT Winegeart was serving in the electronics maintenance shop of Group Support Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG KYU H. CHAY

28 October 2006, Afghanistan

A resident of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Staff Sergeant Kyu H. Chay died on 28 October 2006 in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Chay enlisted in 2001 as a Cryptologic Linguist. He was assigned to 313th Military Intelligence Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before transferring to the 3rd Special Forces Group in 2006.

SSG Chay was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near his combat patrol.





SFC WILLIAM R. BROWN

6 November 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, Sergeant First Class William R. Brown died on 6 November 2006 in Sperwan-Gar, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Brown enlisted as in the Army as an Infantryman in 1994. Subsequently he served in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, and as an Army Recruiter in Dallas, Texas. He attended the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004.

SFC Brown was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.



SFC TUNG M. NGUYEN

14 November 2006, Iraq

A native of Tracy, California, Sergeant First Class Tung M. Nguyen died on 14 November 2006 in Baghdad, Iraq.

Nguyen enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1986 and served for three years before leaving active duty. He returned to active service in 1991 with the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1993 and was assigned to the 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. He also served as an instructor at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Nguyen was a Communications Sergeant with 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed by small arms fire during a combat engagement in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





2LT SCOTT B. LUNDELL

25 November 2006, Afghanistan

A native of Hurricane, Utah, Second Lieutenant Scott B. Lundell died on 25 November 2006 in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan.

After graduating from the University of Utah, Lundell enlisted in the Utah Army National Guard in 2004 and was assigned to the 19th Special Forces Group, Draper, Utah. He was commissioned in 2005 as an Engineer Officer and deployed prior to attending Special Forces training.

Supporting 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, 2LT Lundell was deployed with the I Corps Artillery when he was fatally wounded by enemy small arms fire and rocket propelled grenades.



SGT DUSTIN M. ADKINS

3 December 2006, Iraq

A native of Finger, Tennessee, Sergeant Dustin M. Adkins died on 3 December 2006 in Haditha, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Adkins enlisted in the Army in 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Advanced Individual Training as a Dental Specialist at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he reported to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SGT Adkins was assigned to Group Support Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, when he sustained fatal injuries after the U.S. Marine Corps CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter in which he was riding made an emergency water landing in western Al Anbar Province.





SGT MARCO L. MILLER

5 December 2006, Iraq

A resident of Longwood, Florida, Sergeant Marco L. Miller died on 5 December 2006 from wounds sustained in Taji, Iraq.

In 1990, Miller enlisted in the Army as a Chemical Operations Specialist, leaving active service in 1994. In 2001, he enlisted in the Florida Army National Guard and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp Blanding, Florida.

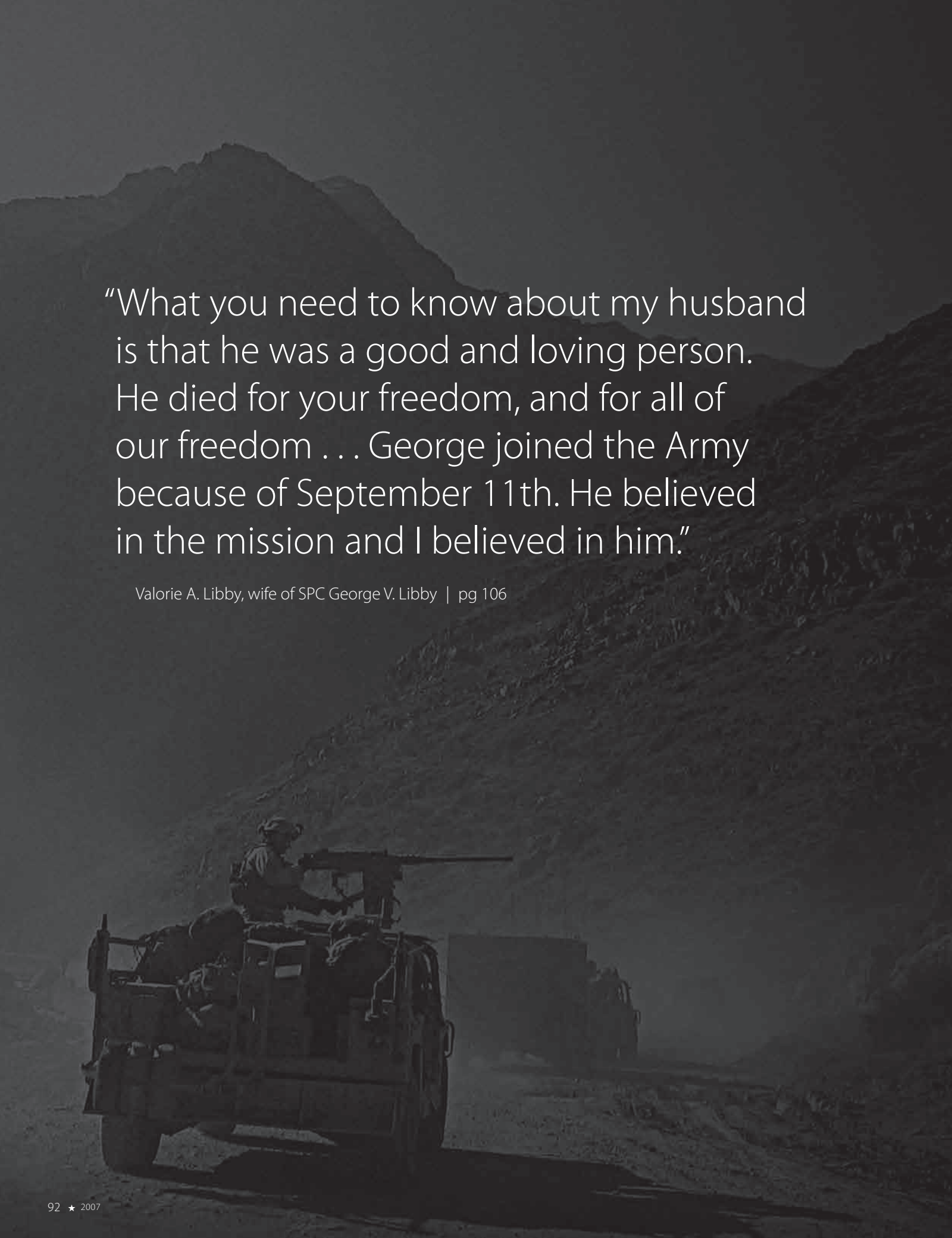
SGT Miller was a Decontamination Specialist in 3rd Battalion Support Company, 20th Special Forces Group, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he was wounded by enemy mortar fire.



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“What you need to know about my husband is that he was a good and loving person. He died for your freedom, and for all of our freedom . . . George joined the Army because of September 11th. He believed in the mission and I believed in him.”

Valorie A. Libby, wife of SPC George V. Libby | pg 106



SGT THOMAS E. VANDLING, JR

1 January 2007, Iraq

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Sergeant Thomas E. Vandling, Jr. died on 1 January 2007 near Babil Province, Iraq, when he suffered fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device while on a combat patrol.

Vandling enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 2001. After Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he was assigned to the 303rd Psychological Operations Company, Oakdale, Pennsylvania.

SGT Vandling was serving as a Psychological Operations Specialist in the 303rd Psychological Operations Company when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



CPT BRIAN S. FREEMAN

20 January 2007, Iraq

A native of Temecula, California, Captain Brian S. Freeman died on 20 January 2007 in Karbala, Iraq.

In 1999, Freeman graduated from the U.S. Military Academy and was commissioned as an Armor Officer. In 2002, he qualified for the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program at Fort Carson, Colorado, competing in bobsledding. In 2004, Freeman left active duty and joined the Individual Ready Reserve. In 2005, he was mobilized and deployed in 2006 with 412th Civil Affairs Battalion, Whitehall, Ohio, as a Civil Affairs Officer.

CPT Freeman suffered fatal wounds during an enemy mortar and small arms attack while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





MAJ ALAN R. JOHNSON

26 January 2007, Iraq

A resident of Yakima, Washington, Major Alan R. Johnson died on 26 January 2007 in Muqdadiyah, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Johnson enlisted in the North Dakota Army National Guard in 1980. In 1986, he was commissioned in the North Dakota Army National Guard as a Combat Engineer Officer and assigned to 141st Combat Engineer Battalion, Jamestown, North Dakota. He transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve in 1987 and, in 2005, he was assigned to 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion, based in Tonawanda, New York.

MAJ Johnson was assigned to 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion when he sustained injuries from an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.



SGT JAMES J. REGAN

9 February 2007, Iraq

A native of Manhasset, New York, Sergeant James J. Regan died on 9 February 2007 in northern Iraq.

In 2004, Regan enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, the Basic Airborne Course, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia. He was assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment and had previously deployed twice to Afghanistan and once to Iraq.

SGT Regan was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, when he sustained wounds from an improvised explosive device while on combat patrol in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





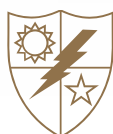
SPC RYAN C. GARBS

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Edwardsville, Illinois, Specialist Ryan C. Garbs died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Garbs enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2005. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he joined the ranks of the Rangers in 2006.

SPC Garbs was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, when the MH-47 Chinook helicopter in which he was riding crashed during combat operations.



SPC BRANDON D. GORDON

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Naples, Florida, Specialist Brandon D. Gordon died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

In 2003, Gordon joined the Army as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repair Specialist. He served in the 52nd Aviation Regiment, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. He completed Green Platoon in 2005.

SPC Gordon was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during combat operations.





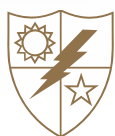
PFC KRISTOFER D.S. THOMAS

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Roseville, California, Private First Class Kristofer D.S. Thomas died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

In 2006, Thomas enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia.

PFC Thomas was assigned as a rifleman in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, when the MH-47 Chinook helicopter in which he was riding crashed.



SGT ADAM A. WILKINSON

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Niskayuna, New York, Sergeant Adam A. Wilkinson died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during combat operations.

Wilkinson enlisted in the Army as a Petroleum Supply Specialist in 2002. Three years later he trained as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repair Specialist. In 2005, he completed Green Platoon and joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SGT Wilkinson was assigned as an MH-47 Crew Member in 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when he died during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





CW3 HERSHEL D. McCANTS, JR

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Hershel D. McCants, Jr., of Medford, Oregon, died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan.

McCants enlisted in the Army as a Combat Engineer in 1991. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and served as an Engineer Sergeant in the 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. In 2001 he attended the Warrant Officer Aviation Basic Course Fort Rucker, Alabama, and in 2005 he completed Green Platoon.

CW3 McCants was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



CW3 JOHN A. QUINLAN

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

Chief Warrant Officer 3 John A. Quinlan, of Morristown, New Jersey, died on 18 February 2007 in southeastern Afghanistan while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Quinlan enlisted as an Avionics Technician in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1988. In 1997, he graduated from the U.S. Army Warrant Officer program and then attended the Aviation Warrant Officer Basic Course and Initial Entry Rotary Wing training. Quinlan completed Green Platoon in 2003.

CW3 Quinlan was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when his helicopter crashed during combat operations.





SPC TRAVIS R. VAUGHN

18 February 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Reinbeck, Iowa, Specialist Travis R. Vaughn died while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM on 18 February 2007 when his helicopter crashed in southeastern Afghanistan.

Vaughn enlisted in the Army as a Heavy Lift Helicopter Repair Specialist in 2003, and was initially assigned to the 52nd Aviation Regiment, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. He completed Green Platoon in 2005, and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SPC Vaughn was an MH-47 Crew Chief in 2nd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment at the time of his death.



SSG MICHAEL D. THOMAS

27 April 2007, Afghanistan

A resident of Seffner, Florida, Staff Sergeant Michael D. Thomas died on 27 April 2007 in Herat Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Thomas enlisted in the Army as a Military Policeman in 1991. He served in a variety of assignments in the Military Police Corps for thirteen years before volunteering for the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and graduating in 2006.

SSG Thomas was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was fatally wounded by enemy rocket-propelled grenades and small arms fire.





SGT TIMOTHY P. PADGETT

8 May 2007, Afghanistan

Raised in Defuniak Springs, Florida, Sergeant Timothy P. Padgett died on 8 May 2007 in Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Padgett enlisted as a Special Forces Candidate in 2003. After attending Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006.

SGT Padgett was assigned as a Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he sustained fatal wounds during a firefight with enemy forces.



SGM BRADLY D. CONNER

9 May 2007, Iraq

A resident of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Sergeant Major Bradley D. Conner died on 9 May 2007 near Al-Hillah, Iraq, when he suffered fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device.

Conner enlisted in the Army on 24 June 1987 as an Ammunition Specialist. After Basic Combat Training at Fort McClellan, Alabama, and Advanced Individual Training at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, he joined the 515th Ordnance Company, Redstone Arsenal. In 1993, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He served as a Medical Sergeant in the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

At the time of his death, SGM Conner was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SSG JOSHUA R. WHITAKER

15 May 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Long Beach, California, Staff Sergeant Joshua R. Whitaker died on 15 May 2007 in Qalat, Afghanistan, when he was fatally wounded by enemy small arms fire during a firefight.

Whitaker enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2003 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2006.

SSG Whitaker was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he died during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



MSG ARTHUR L. LILLEY

15 June 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Smithfield, Pennsylvania, Master Sergeant Arthur L. Lilley died on 15 June 2007 in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Lilley enlisted in 1990 in the Army as an Infantryman and was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Following service with the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Camp Ederle, Italy, he volunteered for Special Forces. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1996.

MSG Lilley was assigned as a Team Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was fatally wounded by enemy small arms fire.





SFC NATHAN L. WINDER

26 June 2007, Iraq

A resident of Blanding, Utah, Sergeant First Class Nathan L. Winder died on 26 June 2007 in Ad Diwaniyah, Iraq, when he was fatally wounded by enemy small arms fire.

Winder enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1993. After several infantry assignments, he graduated in 2006 from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Winder was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG ROBB L. ROLFING

30 June 2007, Iraq

Born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Staff Sergeant Robb L. Rolfing died on 30 June 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq, of wounds received in combat operations.

Rolfing enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2003, and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Following a deployment to Iraq, he volunteered for the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and graduated in 2005.

SSG Rolfing was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, when he died in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





MAJ JAMES M. AHEARN

5 July 2007, Iraq

Raised in California, Major James M. Ahearn died on 5 July 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Ahearn joined the Army in 1989 and graduated from Officer Candidate School in 1994. He had numerous assignments and deployments as an Engineer Officer, including a 2003 deployment to Iraq. He later attended the Civil Affairs Officer Course.

MAJ Ahearn was assigned to 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device near his vehicle.



SGT KEITH A. KLINE

5 July 2007, Iraq

A native of Oak Harbor, Ohio, Sergeant Keith A. Kline died on 5 July 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Kline enlisted in the Army in 2002 as a Communications Systems Support Specialist. After completing Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia, he was assigned to 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Kline was assigned to 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.





SFC SEAN K. MITCHELL

7 July 2007, Mali

A native of Monterey, California, Sergeant First Class Sean K. Mitchell died on 7 July 2007 in Kidal, Mali, while conducting training as part of the Trans-Sahara Counter-Terrorism Partnership.

Mitchell enlisted in the Army as a Cryptologic Linguist in 1997. He attended the Defense Language Institute Basic Russian Course at the Presidio of Monterey, California, and completed Advanced Individual Training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas. He was later assigned to the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

SFC Mitchell was assigned as a team leader for the Military Intelligence Detachment in 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stuttgart, Germany, when he was fatally wounded while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-TRANS-SAHARA.



CPL JASON M. KESSLER

30 July 2007, Iraq

A native of Mount Vernon, Washington, Corporal Jason M. Kessler died on 30 July 2007 in northern Iraq while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

After graduating from The Masters College in Santa Clarita, California, Kessler enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2005. He completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, Airborne School, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program.

CPL Kessler was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, as an automatic rifleman when he suffered fatal wounds from an enemy rocket-propelled grenade.





SSG JESSE G. CLOWERS, JR

12 August 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Lebanon, Virginia, Staff Sergeant Jesse G. Clowers, Jr. died on 12 August 2007 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, when he sustained fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device.

Clowers enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2004 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2006.

SSG Clowers was assigned as a Communications Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC JEFFREY D. KETTLE

12 August 2007, Afghanistan

A Texas native, Sergeant First Class Jeffrey D. Kettle died on 12 August 2007 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Kettle enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1993 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After serving in a variety of units including the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006.

SFC Kettle was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he sustained fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device that detonated near his vehicle.





SGT CHARLES B. KITOWSKI III

12 August 2007, Afghanistan

A resident of Farmers Branch, Texas, Sergeant Charles B. Kitowski III died on 12 August 2007 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Kitowski enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2005 as a Psychological Operations Specialist. He completed Advanced Individual Training at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Kitowski was assigned to the 345th Psychological Operations Company, Dallas, Texas, when he sustained fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device.



SSG ROBERT R. PIRELLI

15 August 2007, Iraq

A native of Franklin, Massachusetts, Staff Sergeant Robert R. Pirelli died on 15 August 2007 during combat operations in the Diyala Province, Iraq.

In 2003, Pirelli enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate. In 2005 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Pirelli was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, when he died of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SPC GEORGE V. LIBBY

20 August 2007, Afghanistan

A native of Independence, Kentucky, Specialist George V. Libby died on 20 August 2007 near Khowst, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Libby enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2005 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After graduating from the Basic Airborne Course, he completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program.

SPC Libby was assigned as an automatic rifleman to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he sustained fatal injuries in a non-combat related accident.



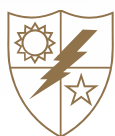
SFC ADRIAN M. ELIZALDE

23 August 2007, Iraq

A resident of North Bend, Oregon, Sergeant First Class Adrian M. Elizalde died on 23 August 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

Elizalde enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1996 and served in several assignments in the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 2005, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Elizalde was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he was fatally wounded by an improvised explosive device during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SFC MICHAEL J. TULLY

23 August 2007, Iraq

A native of Falls Creek, Pennsylvania, Sergeant First Class Michael J. Tully died on 23 August 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq, when he was fatally wounded by an improvised explosive device.

Initially enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corps, Tully transferred to the Army as an Infantryman in 1997. He served in the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before being selected to attend the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated in 2006.

SFC Tully was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



CPL BENJAMIN C. DILLON

7 October 2007, Iraq

A native of Rootstown, Ohio, Corporal Benjamin C. Dillon died on 7 October 2007 in northern Iraq while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Dillon enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2004. After graduating from Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he completed the Ranger Indoctrination Program.

CPL Dillon was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, when he suffered fatal wounds from small arms fire after insurgents attacked his unit.





SFC JUSTIN S. MONSCHKE

14 October 2007, Iraq

A native of Denton, Texas, Sergeant First Class Justin S. Monschke died on 14 October 2007 in Arab Jabour, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Monschke enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1997 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 2002 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Monschke was serving as a Weapons Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he suffered wounds from an improvised explosive device.



SSG JOSEPH F. CURRERI

27 October 2007, Philippines

Originally from Baltimore, Maryland, Staff Sergeant Joseph F. Curreri died on 27 October 2007 in Siet Lake, Jolo Island, Philippines.

Curreri graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in History from the University of Southern California before enlisting in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate.

SSG Curreri was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he died from a non-combat related incident while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES.





MAJ JEFFREY R. CALERO

29 October 2007, Afghanistan

Originally from Puerto Rico, Major Jeffrey R. Calero died on 29 October 2007 in Kajaki, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

After earning a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, Calero was commissioned into the Infantry in 1995. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2001.

MAJ Calero was assigned to 1st Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Fort Payne, Alabama, when he was killed by an improvised explosive device while he was on a dismounted patrol.



CPT BENJAMIN D. TIFFNER

7 November 2007, Iraq

A native of Ohio, Captain Benjamin D. Tiffner died on 7 November 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device.

A 2000 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, Tiffner was commissioned in the Infantry. In 2006, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Tiffner was assigned as an Operational Detachment-Alpha team leader in 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he died.





SSG PATRICK F. KUTSCHBACH

10 November 2007, Afghanistan

A native of McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania, Staff Sergeant Patrick F. Kutschbach died on 10 November 2007 from wounds suffered in Tagab, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Kutschbach enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2003. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2004.

SSG Kutschbach was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stuttgart, Germany, and was fatally wounded when his vehicle was struck by a rocket propelled grenade and small arms fire.



SGT STEVEN C. GANCZEWSKI

16 November 2007, Iraq

A native of Niagara Falls, New York, Sergeant Steven C. Ganczewski died on 16 November 2007 in Balad, Iraq.

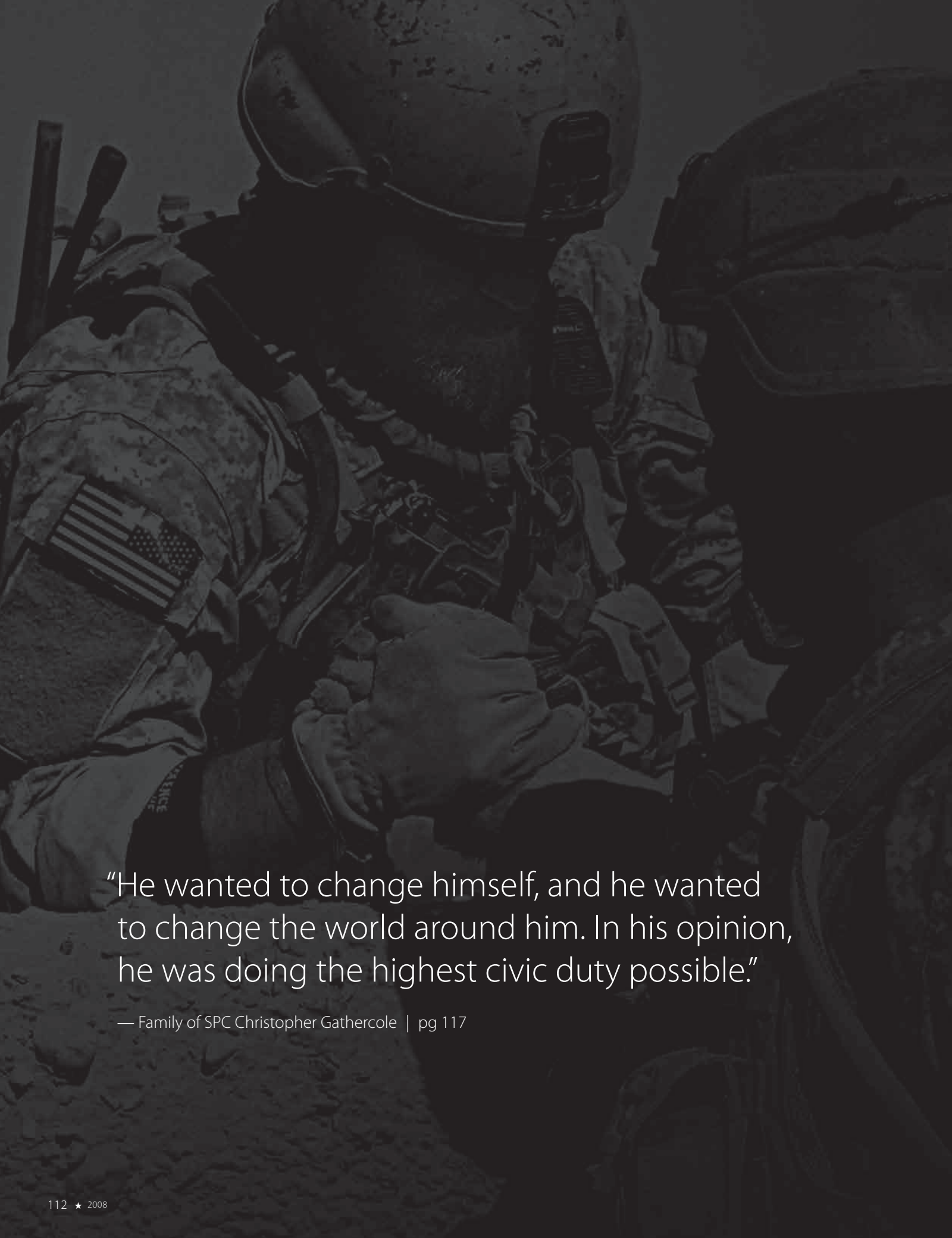
Ganczewski enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2003 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 2004, he graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program.

SGT Ganczewski was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, when he was fatally wounded in combat while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



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“He wanted to change himself, and he wanted to change the world around him. In his opinion, he was doing the highest civic duty possible.”

— Family of SPC Christopher Gathercole | pg 117



SSG RYAN D. MASETH

2 January 2008, Iraq

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Staff Sergeant Ryan D. Maseth died 2 January 2008 in Baghdad, Iraq.

Maseth enlisted as an Infantryman in the Army in 2001 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After serving six years as an Infantryman, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Maseth was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when he died of injuries from a non-combat accident while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG JUSTIN R. WHITING

19 January 2008, Iraq

Staff Sergeant Justin R. Whiting died on 19 January 2008 south of Mosul, Iraq, when he sustained wounds from an improvised explosive device.

Whiting enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 1999. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2000.

SSG Whiting was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when he died during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SSG ROBERT J. MILLER

25 January 2008, Afghanistan

A resident of Ovideo, Florida, Staff Sergeant Robert J. Miller died from wounds received in combat on 25 January 2008 in Barikowt, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Miller enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2005.

SSG Miller was serving as a Weapons Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. For his valorous actions above and beyond the call of duty he was awarded the Medal of Honor.



SSG WILLIAM R. NEIL, JR

21 March 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Holmdel, New Jersey, Staff Sergeant William R. Neil, Jr. died on 21 March 2008 in Sperwan Ghar, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Neil enlisted in the Army as a Supply Specialist in 1998. He was initially assigned to 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Fort Benning, Georgia, and was a graduate of the Army Ranger School. In 2006 he completed the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Neil was assigned as a Communications Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he sustained fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device.





SGT NICHOLAS A. ROBERTSON

3 April 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Old Town, Maine, Sergeant Nicholas A. Robertson died on 3 April 2008 from wounds sustained on 2 April 2008 in the Zahn Khan District, Afghanistan.

Robertson enlisted in the Army as a Cryptologic Linguist in 2005 after earning a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Maine. Following Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Robertson was assigned to the Military Intelligence Detachment, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group when he sustained fatal wounds during dismounted combat operations in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG JASON L. BROWN

17 April 2008, Iraq

A native of Magnolia, Texas, Staff Sergeant Jason L. Brown died on 17 April 2008 in Sama Village, Iraq, while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Brown enlisted as a Special Forces Candidate in 2003. He attended the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and became Special Forces qualified in 2004.

SSG Brown was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, when he died of wounds sustained during an enemy attack involving small arms fire and grenades.





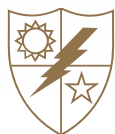
SFC DAVID L. McDOWELL

29 April 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Ramona, California, Sergeant First Class David L. McDowell died in a combat action on 29 April 2008 at Camp Bastion, Afghanistan.

McDowell enlisted as an Infantryman in the Army on July 1996. Completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in November 1996. He was assigned in December 1996 to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. In 2005, he was assigned to the Regimental Training Detachment, Fort Benning, Georgia, as a pre-Ranger Course instructor.

In 2006, SFC McDowell was serving as a platoon sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington, when he was killed supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG FRANK J. GASPER

25 May 2008, Iraq

A native of Merced, California, Staff Sergeant Frank J. Gasper died on 25 May 2008 near Dimaniyah, Iraq, from wounds suffered from an improvised explosive device.

Gaspar enlisted in the Army in October 2002 as a Communications Specialist and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia. After completing the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado.

SSG Gasper was serving in the Communications Platoon, 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, when he died while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. It was his fourth deployment to Iraq.





SPC CHRISTOPHER GATHERCOLE

26 May 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Santa Rosa, California, Specialist Christopher Gathercole died 26 May 2008 in Ghazni, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered during a combat operation.

Gathercole enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2005. After graduating from the Basic Airborne Course and the Ranger Indoctrination Program, Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington.

SPC Gathercole was serving as a machine gunner in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



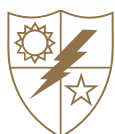
SFC DAVID NUNEZ

29 May 2008, Afghanistan

Born in Mexico, Sergeant First Class David Nunez died on 29 May 2008 in a combat action in Farah Province, Afghanistan.

Nunez enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 1999 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 2005 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Nunez was serving as an Engineer Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SPC THOMAS F. DUNCAN III

9 June 2008, Iraq

A native of Rowlett, Texas, Specialist Thomas F. Duncan III, died 9 June 2008 near Sinjar, Iraq during combat.

Duncan enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2006. He attended Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, the Basic Airborne Course, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia, before being assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington.

SPC Duncan had served as a machine gunner and grenadier in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, when he died while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



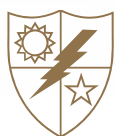
SSG TRAVIS K. HUNSBERGER

27 June 2008, Afghanistan

An Indiana native, Staff Sergeant Travis K. Hunsberger died 27 June 2008 in Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered by an improvised explosive device.

Hunsberger enlisted in the Army in June 2004 as a Special Forces Candidate, and attended One Station Unit Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Hunsberger was assigned as a Communications Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group at the time of his death. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SFC JEFFREY M. RADA MORALES

29 June 2008, Afghanistan

Born in Naranjito, Puerto Rico, Sergeant First Class Jeffrey M. Rada Morales died in a non-battle related accident on 29 June 2008 in Khosrow-E Sofla, Afghanistan.

Rada Morales enlisted in the Army as a Veterinary Technician in April 1995 and served at Patrick Air Force Base, Florida, with the 248th Medical Detachment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. He joined the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School staff in 1999 as an animal care instructor. In 2007 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Rada Morales was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as a senior Medical Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, at the time of his death.



MSG SHAWN E. SIMMONS

29 June 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Ashland, Massachusetts, Master Sergeant Shawn E. Simmons died as a result of a non-battle accident on 29 June 2008 in Khosrow-E Sofla, Afghanistan.

Simmons enlisted in the Army in February 1992 as a Power Generation Equipment Repairman and was assigned to the 307th Forward Maintenance Company, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1999 and was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He became an instructor at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School in 2005.

MSG Simmons was serving as a Team Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group at the time of his death. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SGT JAMES M. TREBER

29 June 2008, Afghanistan

Born in Hawaii but raised in San Diego, California, Sergeant James M. Treber died on 29 June 2008 in a vehicle accident in Khosrow-E Sofla, Afghanistan.

Treber joined the U.S. Merchant Marine in 2002. He enlisted in the Army in October 2005 as a Special Forces Candidate and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2007 and was assigned to 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Treber was serving as a Weapons Sergeant with 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group at the time of his death. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



MSG MITCHELL W. YOUNG

13 July 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Jonesboro, Georgia, Master Sergeant Mitchell W. Young died on 13 July 2008 in eastern Helmand Province, Afghanistan, from an improvised explosive device.

Young enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 1991 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, Fort Ord, California. He later served in 3rd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, Germany. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1999 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 2004, he was assigned to the U.S. Army Tactical Review Board, Fort Bragg, NC.

MSG Young joined 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2007, and was serving as a Team Sergeant when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SSG DAVID W. TEXTOR

15 July 2008, Iraq

A native of Jamestown, New York, Staff Sergeant David W. Textor died on 15 July 2008 during combat operations in Mosul, Iraq.

Textor enlisted in the Army in 2002 as an Infantryman and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After serving in 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in November 2006.

SSG Textor was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. He was supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he was killed.



CPT RICHARD G. CLIFF, JR

29 September 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, Captain Richard G. Cliff, Jr. was killed on 29 September 2008 in Yakchal, Helmand Province, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Cliff was commissioned as an Infantry Officer in June 2002 after graduating from Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina. His first assignment was with 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He served two tours in Iraq before graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in July 2008.

CPT Cliff was serving as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SFC JAMIE S. NICHOLAS

29 September 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Maysel, West Virginia, Sergeant First Class Jamie S. Nicholas was killed on 29 September 2008 in Yakchal, Helmand Province, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Nicholas enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 1994 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Following duty with 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, and 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006.

SFC Nicholas was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SFC GARY J. VASQUEZ

29 September 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Highland, Illinois, Sergeant First Class Gary J. Vasquez was killed on 29 September 2008 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Vasquez enlisted in the Army in January 2000 as a Cavalry Scout and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004 and was assigned to the 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Vasquez was serving as an Engineer Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group at the time of his death. It was his third deployment to Afghanistan.





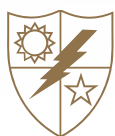
SGT WILLIAM P. RUDD

5 October 2008, Iraq

A native of Madisonville, Kentucky, Sergeant William P. Rudd died on 5 October 2008 in Mosul, Iraq from enemy small arms fire.

Rudd enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2003 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served as a rifleman, grenadier, and team leader.

SGT Rudd was on his eighth combat deployment with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM when he was killed.



MAJ ROBERT D. LINDENAU

20 October 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Seattle, Washington, Major Robert D. Lindenau was killed on 20 October 2008 in Charbagh, Afghanistan, by a rocket-propelled grenade.

Lindenau enlisted in the Army in July 1996 as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic. In 1999, he attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned in the Field Artillery, where he served in several Field Artillery assignments before volunteering for Civil Affairs. He served as a team leader for a Civil-Military Support Element in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-TRANS-SAHARA with 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MAJ Lindenau was serving as a team leader with 91st Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SGT NICHOLAS A. CASEY

27 October 2008, Afghanistan

A native of Canton, Ohio, Sergeant Nicholas A. Casey was killed on 27 October 2008 in Baghlan, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered from an improvised explosive device.

Casey enlisted in the Air Force in July 2004 and transferred to the Army in February 2005 as a Human Intelligence Collector. He was assigned to 163rd Military Intelligence Battalion, 504th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas. In July 2008 he joined 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Casey was serving with the Military Intelligence Detachment, 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.



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SSG Marc J. Small
SSG Jeremy E. Bessa
MSG David L. Hurt
CPL Ryan C. McGhee
CPL Benjamin S. Kopp
CW2 Douglas M. Vose III
SFC Alejandro Granado III
CPT Ronald G. Luce, Jr.
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SSG Shawn H. McNabb
SFC David E. Metzger
CW4 Michael P. Montgomery
SGT Nickolas A. Mueller
SSG Matthew A. Pucino

“Chris was a man who deeply loved his family and believed that he was making a difference in the fight against terror.”

— Family of SFC Christopher D. Shaw | pg 137





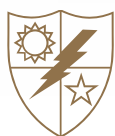
SSG ANTHONY D. DAVIS

6 January 2009, Iraq

Born in Mainz, Germany, and raised in Daytona Beach, Florida, Staff Sergeant Anthony D. Davis died on 6 January 2009 from wounds sustained in combat in northern Iraq.

Davis enlisted as an Infantryman in the Army in October 2000. After graduating in 2001 from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SSG Davis was serving as a team leader on his sixth combat deployment with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, when he was killed during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



SSG MARC J. SMALL

12 February 2009, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Collegeville, Pennsylvania, Staff Sergeant Marc J. Small died on 12 February 2009 from wounds suffered by rocket-propelled grenade and small arms fire at Faramuz, Afghanistan.

Small enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in December 2004 and attended Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Airborne training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Small was serving as a Medical Sergeant assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SSG JEREMY E. BESSA

20 February 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Honolulu, Hawaii, Staff Sergeant Jeremy E. Bessa died on 20 February 2009 in Khordi, Afghanistan, when the vehicle in which he was riding was struck by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Bessa enlisted in the Army in April 2002 as a Combat Medic. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in January 2003. After deploying in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 2007. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group at Fort Bragg.

SSG Bessa was serving as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant in Company B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group when he was killed.



MSG DAVID L. HURT

20 February 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Oak Park, Illinois, Master Sergeant David L. Hurt died on 20 February 2009 in Khordi, Afghanistan, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device.

Hurt enlisted in the Army as a Combat Engineer in November 1992. He was assigned to 307th Engineer Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and later served in 37th Engineer Battalion, 20th Engineer Brigade, Fort Bragg. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in May 2000 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, as an Engineer Sergeant. Hurt served as a Small Group Basic Leader at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Fort Bragg.

MSG Hurt was serving as a Team Operations Sergeant assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





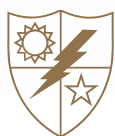
CPL RYAN C. MCGHEE

13 May 2009, Iraq

A longtime resident of Fredericksburg, Virginia, Corporal Ryan C. McGhee was killed in combat on 13 May 2009 in central Iraq.

McGhee enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 2006 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in February 2007 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He served as a rifleman, grenadier, and team leader during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

CPL McGhee was assigned as an automatic rifleman in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.



CPL BENJAMIN S. KOPP

18 July 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Corporal Benjamin S. Kopp died on 18 July 2009 from wounds received in combat on 10 July 2009 in southern Afghanistan.

Kopp enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman and attended One Station Unit Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. On graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in June 2007, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He was a graduate of the U.S. Army Ranger Course.

CPL Kopp was serving as a rifleman in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





CW2 DOUGLAS M. VOSE III

29 July 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Roseburg, Oregon, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Douglas M. Vose III was killed on 29 July 2009 in Kabul Province, Afghanistan, by small arms fire.

Vose enlisted in the Army in April 1989 as a Transportation Specialist. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1999 and was assigned as a Communications Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He later served in 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stuttgart, Germany. In 2006, he completed the Warrant Officer Basic Course.

CW2 Vose was serving as an Assistant Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SFC ALEJANDRO GRANADO III

2 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Ciudad Acuna, Mexico, Sergeant First Class Alejandro Granado III was killed on 2 August 2009 in Qole Gerdsar, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Granado enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in January 1988 and participated in Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM. Joining the Mississippi Army National Guard, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2002 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi.

SFC Granado was assigned as a Communications Sergeant in Company C, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp McCain, Mississippi, when he was killed during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. He also served during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





CPT RONALD G. LUCE, JR

2 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Julian, California, Captain Ronald G. Luce, Jr. was killed on 2 August 2009 in Qole Gerdsar, Afghanistan, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device.

In 2002, Luce was commissioned as an Infantry Officer in the Army National Guard through the ROTC Program at the Valley Forge Military Academy in Wayne, Pennsylvania. In May 2008, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a liaison officer.

CPT Luce was assigned as a Detachment Commander in Company C, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp McCain, Mississippi. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.



SFC SEVERIN W. SUMMERS III

2 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Lafayette, Louisiana, Sergeant First Class Severin W. Summers III was killed on 2 August 2009 in Qole Gerdsar, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Summers enlisted in the Army in 1989 as an Infantryman and attended Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He later joined the Mississippi Army National Guard. In 2002 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He joined the 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama.

SFC Summers was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant in Company C, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp McCain, Mississippi, when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





CPT JOHN TINSLEY

12 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of New Jersey, Captain John Tinsley was killed on 12 August 2009 in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

After graduating from Florida State University, Tinsley was commissioned as an Infantry officer in August 2002 and assigned to 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, Fort Carson, Colorado. In 2004, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Infantry Regiment, the "Old Guard," Fort Myer, Virginia. In January 2009, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Tinsley was serving as a Detachment Commander in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed. This was his third combat deployment.



CPL NICHOLAS R. ROUSH

16 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Michigan, Corporal Nicholas R. Roush was killed on 16 August 2009 in Herat Province, Afghanistan, from wounds caused by an improvised explosive device.

Roush enlisted in the Army in 2007. After graduating from the Psychological Operations Specialist Course he was assigned to 1st Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPL Roush was on his first deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.





SFC WILLIAM B. WOODS, JR

16 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Hermann, Missouri, Sergeant First Class William B. Woods, Jr. died on 16 August 2009 of wounds received from small arms fire on 14 August 2009 while conducting a mounted patrol in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan.

Woods enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1996 as an Infantryman. He later enlisted in the Maryland Army National Guard, graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2003, and was assigned to the 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama.

SFC Woods was serving as a Medical Sergeant with Company B, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Glen Arm, Maryland, when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG ANDREW T. LOBOSCO

22 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Somerville, New Jersey, Staff Sergeant Andrew T. Lobosco was killed in combat on 22 August 2009 near Yakhchal, Afghanistan.

Lobosco enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in January 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated in January 2007 from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Lobosco was assigned as a Medical Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SSG JASON S. DAHLKE

29 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Tampa, Florida, Staff Sergeant Jason S. Dahlke was killed on 29 August 2009 in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, during combat operations. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Dahlke enlisted as an Infantryman in the Army in May 2004, and after graduating from the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia, was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. After serving as a team leader and squad leader, he moved to Battalion Reconnaissance Platoon.

SSG Dahlke was serving as a squad leader in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed on his sixth combat deployment.



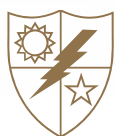
PFC ERIC W. HARIO

29 August 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Monroe, Michigan, Private First Class Eric W. Hario was killed on 29 August 2009 in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, while conducting combat operations.

Hario enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 2008. On graduating in January 2009 from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, Fort Benning, Georgia, he served as a grenadier in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

PFC Hario was on his first deployment supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.





SFC DUANE A. THORNSBURY

12 September 2009, Iraq

A long-time resident of Bridgeport, West Virginia, Sergeant First Class Duane A. Thornsbury was killed on 12 September 2009 in Baghdad, Iraq, in a vehicle accident while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Thornsbury enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in April 1996 as a Supply Specialist. He came on active duty in September 2002. In 2006, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Thornsbury was serving as a Weapons Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, when he was killed. He was on his third deployment to Iraq.



SFC BRADLEY S. BOHLE

16 September 2009, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Glen Burnie, Maryland, Sergeant First Class Bradley S. Bohle was killed on 16 September 2009 in Ghur Ghuri, Afghanistan, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Bohle enlisted in the Army in 1998 as an Information Systems Operator. He was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas. He later served with 112th Signal Battalion and 4th Psychological Operations Group, both at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 2008 and made two deployments in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES.

SFC Bohle was assigned as a Medical Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed.





SFC SHAWN P. McCLOSKEY

16 September 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Hudson, New York, and longtime resident of Peachtree City, Georgia, Sergeant First Class Shawn P. McCloskey was killed on 16 September 2009 in Ghur Ghuri, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

McCloskey enlisted in the Army in January 2002 as a Special Forces Candidate. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in May 2004, he was assigned as an Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC McCloskey was serving as an Intelligence Sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, and was on his third combat deployment when he was killed during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SSG JOSHUA M. MILLS

16 September 2009, Afghanistan

A native of El Paso, Texas, Staff Sergeant Joshua M. Mills was killed on 16 September 2009 in Ghur Ghuri, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Mills enlisted in the Army in 2005 as a Special Forces Candidate and attended Infantry One Station Unit Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Mills was serving as a Communications Sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SSG JACK M. MARTIN III

29 September 2009, Philippines

Born in Maquoketa, Iowa, Staff Sergeant Jack M. Martin III was killed on 29 September 2009 on Jolo Island, Republic of the Philippines, by an improvised explosive device while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES.

Martin enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2001 and in 2004 graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, and participated in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

SSG Martin was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant and was on his first deployment to the Philippines when he was killed.



SFC CHRISTOPHER D. SHAW

29 September 2009, Philippines

A longtime resident of Natchez, Mississippi, Sergeant First Class Christopher D. Shaw was killed on 29 September 2009 on Jolo Island, Philippines, by an improvised explosive device.

Shaw enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve while attending Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas. In May 1995, he came on active duty as an Artillery Forward Observer assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 1999 and joined the 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. He later served as a Special Forces instructor at Camp Mackall, North Carolina.

SFC Shaw was serving with 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group when he was killed during his second deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES.





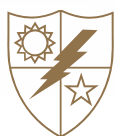
SGT ROBERTO D. SANCHEZ

1 October 2009, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Satellite Beach, Florida, Sergeant Roberto D. Sanchez died on 1 October 2009 in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered from an improvised explosive device.

Sanchez enlisted in the Army in July 2004 and completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, where he served as an automatic rifleman.

SGT Sanchez was serving as a team leader in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. He had completed three deployments to Iraq and was on his second to Afghanistan.



SSG KEITH R. BISHOP

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Medford, New York, Staff Sergeant Keith R. Bishop was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, in a helicopter crash while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Bishop enlisted in the Army in April 2003 as an Infantryman. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, Camp Grieves, Republic of Korea. He later served with 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Camp Casey, Republic of Korea. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Bishop was serving as a Weapons Sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group when he was killed.





SGT JOSUE E. HERNANDEZ-CHAVEZ

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Las Vegas, Nevada, Sergeant Josue E. Hernandez-Chavez was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during a combat operation.

Hernandez-Chavez enlisted in the Army in February 2005. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he graduated Green Platoon and joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment. He was assigned as a Medium Helicopter Repairer to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. In August 2006, he was reclassified as a Flight Engineer.

SGT Hernandez-Chavez had six combat deployments and was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



CW3 NIALL D. LYONS

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Spokane, Washington, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Niall D. Lyons was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during a combat operation.

Lyons enlisted in the Army in October 1994. He graduated from flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama, in 1999 and was assigned as a Tactical Operations Officer to the 17th Cavalry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. After an assignment to Fort Rucker as an instructor, he served with the 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Drum, New York. He completed Green Platoon in 2009, and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

CW3 Lyons was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG SHAWN H. McNABB

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Terrell, Texas, Staff Sergeant Shawn H. McNabb was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during a combat operation.

McNabb enlisted in the Army as a Health Care Specialist in July 2003. After training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he was assigned to the 702nd Combat Support Medical Company, Camp Casey, Republic of Korea. In 2005 he completed Green Platoon and was assigned as an Emergency Care Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SSG McNabb was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SFC DAVID E. METZGER

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of San Diego, California, Sergeant First Class David E. Metzger was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, when the MH-47 Chinook helicopter he was aboard crashed during a combat operation.

Metzger enlisted in the Army as an Ammunition Specialist in September 1996. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2007 and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Metzger was serving as a Communications Sergeant in 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM when he was killed.





CW4 MICHAEL P. MONTGOMERY

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Redmond, Washington, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Michael P. Montgomery was killed on 26 October 2009 when the MH-47 Chinook he was flying crashed during a combat operation in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan.

Montgomery enlisted in the Washington Army National Guard in October 1991. He graduated from flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama in 1996 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 185th Aviation Regiment and 1st Battalion, 168th Aviation Regiment, Camp Murray, Washington. In 2004 he served at the Western Army National Guard Training Site, Marana, Arizona, as a Senior Instructor Pilot and Instrument Flight Examiner. In 2006, he completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

CW4 Montgomery was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.



SGT NICKOLAS A. MUELLER

26 October 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Little Chute, Wisconsin, Sergeant Nickolas A. Mueller was killed on 26 October 2009 in Darreh-Ye Bum, Afghanistan, when his MH-47 Chinook crashed during a combat operation.

Mueller enlisted in the Army as a Medium Helicopter Repairer in June 2004. After Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. In 2007, he completed Green Platoon and joined 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, as a Flight Engineer.

SGT Mueller was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM at the time of his death.





SSG MATTHEW A. PUCINO

23 November 2009, Afghanistan

A native of Boston, Massachusetts, Staff Sergeant Matthew A. Pucino was killed on 23 November 2009 in Pashay Kala, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device.

Pucino enlisted in the Army in 2002 as a Special Forces Candidate. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course, he was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He later left active duty and joined the Maryland Army National Guard.

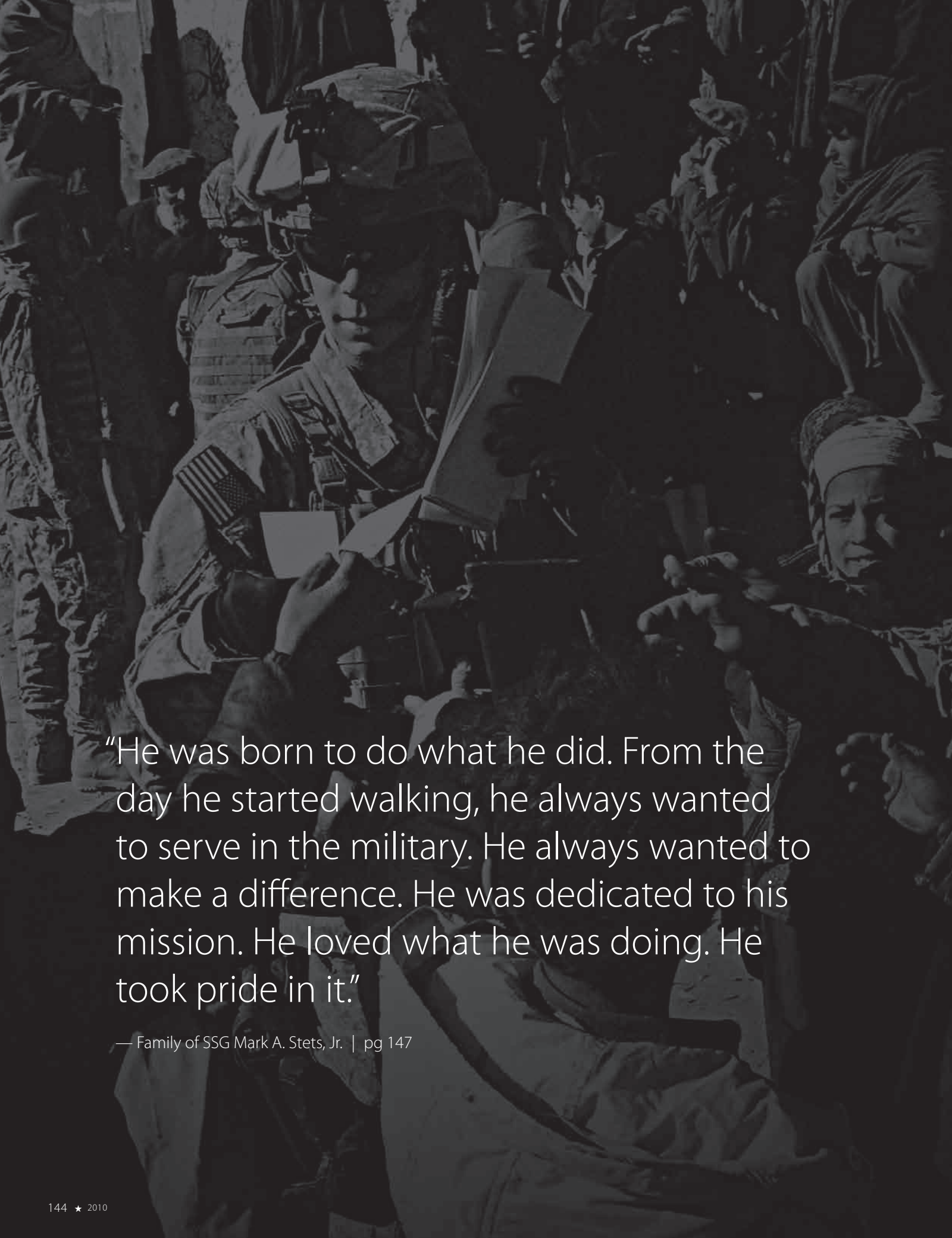
SSG Pucino was serving as an Engineer Sergeant with Company B, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Glen Arm, Maryland. He was on his third deployment when killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



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SSG Rusty H. Christian
SPC Marc P. Decoteau
CPT David J. Thompson
SFC David J. Hartman
SFC Matthew S. Sluss-Tiller
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“He was born to do what he did. From the day he started walking, he always wanted to serve in the military. He always wanted to make a difference. He was dedicated to his mission. He loved what he was doing. He took pride in it.”

— Family of SSG Mark A. Stets, Jr. | pg 147



SSG RUSTY H. CHRISTIAN

28 January 2010, Afghanistan

Staff Sergeant Rusty H. Christian, of Greenville, Tennessee, was killed by an improvised explosive device during a patrol on 28 January 2010 in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Christian enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 2004 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, Fort Lewis, Washington. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2009 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington.

SSG Christian was serving as an Engineer Sergeant with 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group when he was killed.



SPC MARC P. DECOTEAU

29 January 2010, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Waterville Valley, New Hampshire, Specialist Marc P. Decoteau was killed on 29 January 2010 in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, when he was shot by an Afghan interpreter.

Decoteau enlisted in the Army as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 2008. Following Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to 6th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SPC Decoteau was assigned to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, when he died in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





CPT DAVID J. THOMPSON

29 January 2010, Afghanistan

A resident of Hooker, Oklahoma, Captain David J. Thompson died on 29 January 2010 in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, when he was shot by an Afghan interpreter during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Thompson enlisted in the Army in 1989 as a Radio Operator and served in the Regimental Signal Detachment and Regimental Reconnaissance Detachment, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He was commissioned in the Chemical Corps in 2002 and served in several units. In 2008 he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Thompson was a Detachment Commander in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group when he was killed. This was his third deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SFC DAVID J. HARTMAN

3 February 2010, Pakistan

A native of Merced, California, Sergeant First Class David J. Hartman was killed on 3 February 2010 in Timagara, Pakistan, by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Hartman enlisted in the Army Signal Corps in 2000. He served in a variety of positions in the 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas, and 50th Signal Battalion, XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Civil Affairs Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Hartman was serving as Team Sergeant in the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed.





SFC MATTHEW S. SLUSS-TILLER

3 February 2010, Pakistan

A native of Ashland, Kentucky, Sergeant First Class Matthew S. Sluss-Tiller died on 3 February 2010 in Timagara, Pakistan, from an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Sluss-Tiller enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1991 as a Heavy Construction Equipment Mechanic and served in the 261st Ordnance Company, Cross Lanes, West Virginia. In 1993, he enlisted in the Army as a Signal Specialist and served in Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Germany; and Kuwait. In 2009, he was assigned to 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade, Fort Bragg, working in a Civil Military Operations Cell.

SFC Sluss-Tiller was serving as Team Sergeant in the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade when he was killed.



SSG MARK A. STETS, JR

3 February 2010, Pakistan

A longtime resident of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Staff Sergeant Mark A. Stets, Jr. was killed on 3 February 2010 in Timagara, Pakistan, by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Stets enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1989. After completing a tour of duty, he enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in 1995. In 2004 he graduated from the Psychological Operations Qualification Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Stets was serving as a Psychological Operations Sergeant in 8th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, when he was killed. This was his second deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. He had previously served in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.





SGT JOEL D. CLARKSON

16 March 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Fairbanks, Alaska, Sergeant Joel D. Clarkson died on 16 March 2010 from wounds suffered on 13 March from enemy small arms fire in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Clarkson enlisted in the Army in February 2006. After graduating from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington. He served as a grenadier and an automatic rifleman.

SGT Clarkson was serving as a team leader with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed. He had three previous deployments to Iraq and was on his second deployment to Afghanistan.



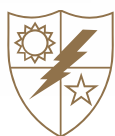
CPL MICHAEL D. JANKIEWICZ

9 April 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Ridgewood, New Jersey, Corporal Michael D. Jankiewicz died on 9 April 2010 in Zabul Province, Afghanistan, when the CV-22 Osprey aircraft he was aboard crashed during a combat operation.

Jankiewicz enlisted in the Army in July 2006 and attended One Station Unit Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. After graduating from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning Georgia, where he served as a grenadier and machine gunner.

CPL Jankiewicz was serving as a machine gun team leader with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SSG JAMES R. PATTON

18 April 2010, Iraq

Born at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Staff Sergeant James R. Patton died in a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crash on 18 April 2010 in Tikrit, Iraq.

Patton enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2004 and completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served as a grenadier and team leader.

SSG Patton was serving as a squad leader with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, when he was killed while supporting Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. He had four previous deployments to Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, and was on his third deployment to Iraq.



SGT RONALD A. KUBIK

23 April 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Point Pleasant, New Jersey, Sergeant Ronald A. Kubik died on 23 April 2010 of wounds sustained in an engagement with an enemy force in Logar Province, Afghanistan.

Kubik enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in March 2007 and attended One Station Unit Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served as an assistant machine gunner and a team leader.

SGT Kubik was serving as a rifle team leader with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





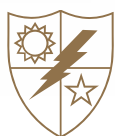
SGT JASON A. SANTORA

23 April 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Bethpage, New York, Sergeant Jason A. Santora died on 23 April 2010 of wounds sustained during combat in Logar Province, Afghanistan.

Santora enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in March 2006 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia. He served as a mortarman and team leader during previous deployments in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

SGT Santora was serving as a team leader with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



MSG MARK W. COLEMAN

2 May 2010, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Centerville, Washington, Master Sergeant Mark W. Coleman was killed on 2 May 2010 in Khakrez, Afghanistan, by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Coleman enlisted in the Army in October 1988 as a Fire Support Specialist. He served in Field Artillery assignments in Weisbaden, Germany; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Camp Casey, Republic of Korea; and Fort Lewis, Washington. In 2001, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course and was assigned as a Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington. He supported Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES, and deployed twice to Afghanistan with the Australian Special Air Service Regiment. In 2008, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group.

MSG Coleman was serving as a Team Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group when he was killed.





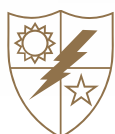
CPT KYLE A. COMFORT

8 May 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Anniston, Alabama, Captain Kyle A. Comfort died on 8 May 2010 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered by an improvised explosive device. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

After graduating from Jacksonville State University, Alabama, in 2006, Comfort was commissioned as a Field Artillery Officer. He was assigned as a Company Fire Support Officer and platoon leader with 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment and 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, deploying in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. After completing the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

CPT Comfort was a Fire Support Officer for 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed.



SGT JONATHAN K. PENNEY

1 June 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Sergeant Jonathan K. Peney died on 1 June 2010 in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, from enemy fire while trying to provide aid to a wounded comrade.

Peney enlisted in the Army as a Combat Medic in November 2005. After graduating from the Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Georgia, and the Special Operations Combat Medic Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Peney was on his fourth deployment to Afghanistan with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed. He was supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SGT ANDREW J. CREIGHTON

4 July 2010, Afghanistan

A longtime resident of Laurel, Delaware, Sergeant Andrew J. Creighton died on 4 July 2010 while conducting operations in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan.

Creighton enlisted in the Army as a Cryptologic Linguist in 2003 and graduated from the Korean Basic Course, Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Fort Lewis, Washington, and served in Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM-PHILIPPINES.

SGT Creighton was with 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



SPC JOSEPH W. DIMOCK II

10 July 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Libertyville, Illinois, Specialist Joseph W. Dimock II, was killed on 10 July 2010 at Forward Operating Base Salerno, Afghanistan, by an explosion at an ammunition holding facility.

Dimock enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 2007. On graduating from the Ranger Indoctrination Program, Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SPC Dimock was serving as a rifleman in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment when he was killed while supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.





SGT ANIBAL SANTIAGO

18 July 2010, Afghanistan

Born in Puerto Rico, Sergeant Anibal Santiago died on 18 July 2010 from injuries sustained while conducting combat operations over mountainous terrain in Khowst Province, Afghanistan.

Santiago served in the U.S. Navy from 1991 to 1995. He enlisted in the Army in 2007 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Following graduation from the Ranger Indoctrination Program he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SGT Santiago served with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment as a sniper and sniper team leader during deployments to Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM.



SGT JUSTIN B. ALLEN

18 July 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Ashland, Kentucky, Sergeant Justin B. Allen died 18 July 2010, when he was struck by small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Allen enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 2006. He served for three years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Allen graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in October 2007 and was assigned as a grenadier and automatic rifleman to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





CPT JASON E. HOLBROOK

29 July 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Burnet, Texas, Captain Jason E. Holbrook died of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while conducting a combat patrol in Tsagay, Afghanistan, on 29 July 2010 in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from the U.S. Military Academy, Holbrook received a commission in the Army as an Infantry Officer. He served in 1st Battalion, 501st Infantry Regiment at Fort Richardson, Alaska, before attending the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Holbrook graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in April 2010 and was serving as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.



SSG KYLE R. WARREN

29 July 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Huntington Beach, California, Staff Sergeant Kyle R. Warren died 29 July 2010, of wounds sustained by the detonation of an improvised explosive device while conducting a combat patrol in Tsagay, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Warren enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in October 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the Joint Special Operations Medical Training Center, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Warren graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in October 2007 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, where he served until his death.





MSG JARED N. VAN AALST

4 August 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Laconia, New Hampshire, Master Sergeant Jared N. Van Aalst died 4 August 2010, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Konduz Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Van Aalst enlisted in the Army as a Signal Support Systems Specialist in August 1995. After completing his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at Fort Benning, Georgia.

MSG Van Aalst was selected as a Special Operations Team member in 2008 and assigned to U.S. Army Special Operations Command where he served until his death.



SGT ANDREW C. NICOL

8 August 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Kensington, New Hampshire, Sergeant Andrew C. Nicol died 8 August 2010, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Nicol enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2006. He served for three years with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SGT Nicol graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in March 2007 and was assigned as a rifleman and team leader to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





SPC BRADLEY D. RAPPUHN

8 August 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Lansing, Michigan, Specialist Bradley D. Rappuhn died 8 August 2010, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Rappuhn enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 2009. He served for two years with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SPC Rappuhn graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in August 2009 and was assigned as an Anti-Armor Specialist to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.



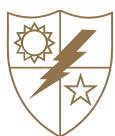
SPC CHRISTOPHER S. WRIGHT

19 August 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Tollesboro, Kentucky, Specialist Christopher S. Wright died 19 August 2010, when he was struck by enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Konar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Wright enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 2005. He served for four years with 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington and 1st Battalion, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Vilseck, Germany.

SPC Wright graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in June 2009 and was assigned as a rifleman and squad automatic rifleman to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia, where he served until his death.





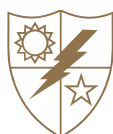
SGT MARTIN A. LUGO

19 August 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Tucson, Arizona, Sergeant Martin A. Lugo died 19 August 2010, when he was struck by enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Logar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Lugo enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in September 2004. He served for six years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Lugo graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in April 2005 and was assigned as an ammunition handler, automatic rifleman, team leader and squad leader in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.



SFC RONALD A. GRIDER

18 September 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Alton, Illinois, Sergeant First Class Ronald A. Grider died 18 September 2010, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kunduz Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Grider enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 1998. After completing his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Grider graduated from the Army Ranger Course in 2000 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. In November 2005, he was selected as a Special Operations Team member and assigned to U.S. Army Special Operations Command where he served until his death.





SFC CALVIN B. HARRISON

29 September 2010, Afghanistan

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Sergeant First Class Calvin B. Harrison died 29 September 2010, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Harrison enlisted in the Army as a Psychological Operations Specialist in 1998. After completing his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to the 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Harrison graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2007 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



SFC LANCE H. VOGELER

1 October 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Frederick, Maryland, Sergeant First Class Lance H. Vogeler died 1 October 2010, of wounds sustained from enemy indirect fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Vogeler enlisted in the Army as an Indirect Fire Infantryman in May 2001. He served for nine years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SFC Vogeler graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in December 2001 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He was serving as a mortar section leader at the time of his death.





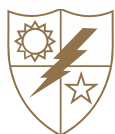
SSG KEVIN M. PAPE

16 November 2010, Afghanistan

A native of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Staff Sergeant Kevin M. Pape died 16 November 2010, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Konar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Pape enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in September 2005. He served for five years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SSG Pape graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in April 2006 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He was serving as a squad leader at the time of his death.



“Don't make the mistake of thinking I joined the Army out of some misguided, short lived sense of patriotism. My sense of duty and place in the Army was something I couldn't get rid of. I had and have a deep [seated] feeling of pride and joy in my heart and in my soul when I was/am protecting someone. What I was most proud of and died protecting was you, those I loved, my country, and my God.”

— Letter from SGT Tyler N. Holtz to his family, delivered by a fellow Ranger on Holtz's request in the event of his demise | pg 168

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SFC DAE H. PARK

12 March 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Watertown, Connecticut, Sergeant First Class Dae H. Park died 12 March 2011, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Park enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 1998. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SFC Park graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, where he served until his death.



MSG BENJAMIN F. BITNER

23 April 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Greencastle, Pennsylvania, Master Sergeant Benjamin F. Bitner died 23 April 2011, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Bitner enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1991. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he served in a variety of infantry assignments.

MSG Bitner graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1999 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SFC MARTIN R. APOLINAR

29 May 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Glendale, Arizona, Sergeant First Class Martin R. Apolinar died 29 May 2011, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Apolinar enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 41st Infantry Regiment, Fort Riley, Kansas.

SFC Apolinar graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



SGT AARON J. BLASJO

29 May 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Riverside, California, Sergeant Aaron J. Blasjo died 29 May 2011, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Blasjo enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Blasjo graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in December 2006 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





CPT JOSEPH W. SCHULTZ

29 May 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Sacramento, California, Captain Joseph W. Schultz died on 29 May 2011 of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while conducting a combat patrol in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

A 1997 graduate of the University of Oregon, Schultz received a commission in the Army as a Military Intelligence Officer in 2003. He served in 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2010.

CPT Schultz was serving as a Detachment Commander in 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.



SSG JEREMY A. KATZENBERGER

14 June 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Weatherby Lake, Missouri, Staff Sergeant Jeremy A. Katzenberger died 14 June 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Katzenberger enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2004. He served for seven years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SSG Katzenberger graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in April 2005 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He was serving as a squad leader at the time of his death.





SFC WYATT A. GOLDSMITH

15 July 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Colville, Washington, Sergeant First Class Wyatt A. Goldsmith died 15 July 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Goldsmith enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in June 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Goldsmith graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, where he served until his death.



MSG BENJAMIN A. STEVENSON

21 July 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Canyon Lake, Texas, Master Sergeant Benjamin A. Stevenson died 21 July 2011, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Stevenson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 1993. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to Company D, 325th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2000 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

MSG Stevenson was selected as a Special Operations Team member in 2006 and assigned to U.S. Army Special Operations Command where he served until his death.





CPT WAID C. RAMSEY

4 August 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Red Bay, Alabama, Captain Waid C. Ramsey died on 4 August 2011 of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit conducted combat operations in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

A graduate of Athens State University, Ramsey received a commission in the Alabama Army National Guard in 2000. He served as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Fort Payne, Alabama.

CPT Ramsey was serving as the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment Commander of the 20th Special Forces Group at the time of his death.



SGT ALESSANDRO L. PLUTINO

8 August 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Pitman, New Jersey, Sergeant Alessandro L. Plutino died 8 August 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktia Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Plutino enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 2006. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Plutino graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in February 2007 and was assigned as a rifleman and team leader in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





MSG DANIAL R. ADAMS

13 September 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Portland, Oregon, Master Sergeant Danial R. Adams, died 13 September 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Adams enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 1995. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

MSG Adams graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in July 2003 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stuttgart, Germany, where he was serving at the time of his death.



SSG MICHAEL W. HOSEY

17 September 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Birmingham, Alabama, Staff Sergeant Michael W. Hosey died 17 September 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Hosey enlisted in the Army as a Cryptologic Linguist in 2001. His first duty assignment was with 304th Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

SSG Hosey was assigned to Headquarters Support Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group at Fort Lewis, Washington in 2005. He was serving as a Special Operations Team member at the time of his death.





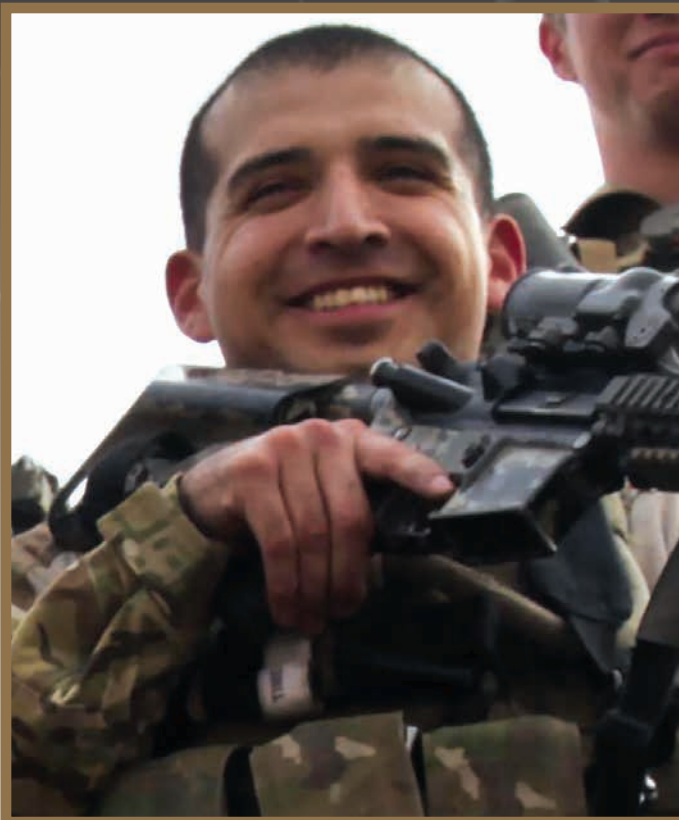
SGT TYLER N. HOLTZ

24 September 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Dana Point, California, Sergeant Tyler N. Holtz died 24 September 2011, when he was struck by small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Holtz enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2007. He served for four years with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SGT Holtz graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in July 2008 and was assigned as a rifleman and team leader in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.



SPC RICARDO CERROS, JR

8 October 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Salinas, California, Specialist Ricardo Cerros, Jr. died 8 October 2011, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Logar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Cerros enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2010. He served for eight months with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SPC Cerros graduated from the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in March 2011 and was assigned as a rifleman to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





SFC KRISTOFFER B. DOMEIJ

22 October 2011, Afghanistan

A native of San Diego, California, Sergeant First Class Kristoffer B. Domeij died 22 October 2011, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Domeij enlisted in the Army as an Artillery Forward Observer in July 2001. He served for ten years with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SFC Domeij graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in 2002 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He was serving as a Joint Terminal Attack Controller at the time of his death.



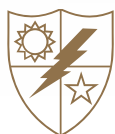
PFC CHRISTOPHER A. HORNS

22 October 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Private First Class Christopher A. Horns died 22 October 2011, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Horns enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2010. He served for one year with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

PFC Horns graduated from the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in 2010 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He was serving as an automatic rifleman at the time of his death.





1LT ASHLEY I. WHITE

22 October 2011, Afghanistan

A native of Alliance, Ohio, First Lieutenant Ashley I. White died on 22 October 2011 of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while her unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from Kent State University, White received a commission in the Army as a Medical Service Corps Officer in 2009. She served in 230th Brigade Support Battalion, 30th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, North Carolina Army National Guard.

1LT White was serving as a Cultural Support Team member attached to a Joint Special Operations Task Force at the time of her death.



2012

SFC Benjamin B. Wise
SGT Tanner S. Higgins
SSG Andrew T. Britton-Mihalo
SSG Brandon F. Eggleston
SSG Brandon R. Pepper
MSG Gregory R. Trent
SSG Jeremie S. Border
SFC Riley G. Stephens
SFC Aaron A. Henderson
SSG Justin C. Marquez
WO1 Joseph L. Schiro
SGT Thomas R. MacPherson
SFC Ryan J. Savard
CW2 Michael S. Duskin
SSG Kashif M. Memon
SGT Clinton K. Ruiz

“We’d be camping and he’d put his camos on and paint his face up. We’re sitting around the camp fire and he’d get real low, crawling through the woods, sneaking up on us . . . He wanted to be in the Army and he wanted to be the best.”

— Family of SGT Tanner S. Higgins | pg 173





SFC BENJAMIN B. WISE

15 January 2012, Afghanistan

A native of El Dorado, Arkansas, Sergeant First Class Benjamin B. Wise died 15 January 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Balkh Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Wise enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in November 2000. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SFC Wise graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, where he served until his death.



SGT TANNER S. HIGGINS

14 April 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Yantis, Texas, Sergeant Tanner S. Higgins died 14 April 2012, when he was struck by enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Logar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Higgins enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2007. He served for five years with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia.

SGT Higgins graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in July 2008 and was assigned as a rifleman, grenadier, automatic rifleman, and team leader in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





SSG ANDREW T. BRITTON-MIHALO

25 April 2012, Afghanistan

A native of San Jose, Costa Rica, Staff Sergeant Andrew T. Britton-Mihalo died 25 April 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Britton-Mihalo enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2005. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Britton-Mihalo graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he served until his death.



SSG BRANDON F. EGGLESTON

26 April 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Candler, North Carolina, Staff Sergeant Brandon F. Eggleston died 26 April 2012, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Eggleston enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in July 2006. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Eggleston graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 2009 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 4th Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SSG BRANDON R. PEPPER

21 July 2012, Afghanistan

A native of York, Pennsylvania, Staff Sergeant Brandon R. Pepper died 21 July 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Pepper enlisted in the Army as an Intelligence Analyst in January 2000. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, he was assigned to the 323rd Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Meade, Maryland.

SSG Pepper graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 4th Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



MSG GREGORY R. TRENT

8 August 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Norton, Massachusetts, Master Sergeant Gregory R. Trent died 8 August 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Shindand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Trent enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in August 1998. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 319th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Trent graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2007 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SSG JEREMIE S. BORDER

1 September 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Mesquite, Texas, Staff Sergeant Jeremie S. Border died 1 September 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Border enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2006. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SSG Border graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2009 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Okinawa, Japan, where he served until his death.



SFC RILEY G. STEPHENS

28 September 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Tolar, Texas, Sergeant First Class Riley G. Stephens died 28 September 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Stephens enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 1993. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SFC Stephens graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 2005 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SFC AARON A. HENDERSON

2 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Houlton, Maine, Sergeant First Class Aaron A. Henderson died 2 October 2012, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Henderson enlisted in the Army as an Administrative Specialist in 2000. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to 24th Transportation Battalion, Fort Eustis, Virginia.

SFC Henderson graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death.



SSG JUSTIN C. MARQUEZ

6 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Aberdeen, North Carolina, Staff Sergeant Justin C. Marquez died 6 October 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Marquez enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 2009. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Marquez graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in February 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





WO1 JOSEPH L. SCHIRO

6 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Coral Springs, Florida, Warrant Officer 1 Joseph L. Schiro died 6 October 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Schiro enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in June 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

WO1 Schiro graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in March 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Schiro then graduated from the Special Forces Warrant Officer Course in May 2011 and returned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, where he served until his death.



SGT THOMAS R. MACPHERSON

12 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Long Beach, California, Sergeant Thomas R. MacPherson died 12 October 2012, when he was struck by enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

MacPherson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 2007. He served for five years with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SGT MacPherson graduated from the Ranger Indoctrination Program in December 2007 and was assigned as a mortarman and team leader in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





SFC RYAN J. SAVARD

12 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Sierra Vista, Arizona, Sergeant First Class Ryan J. Savard died 12 October 2012, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in the Khan Abad District, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Savard enlisted in the Army as a Helicopter Repairer in August 2001. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Rucker, Alabama, he was assigned to the 7th Battalion, 159th Aviation Regiment in Giebelstadt, Germany.

SFC Savard graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2008 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to Group Support Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In May 2010, he was selected as a Special Operations Team member and assigned to U.S. Army Special Operations Command where he served until his death.



CW2 MICHAEL S. DUSKIN

23 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Orange Park, Florida, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Michael S. Duskin died 23 October 2012, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Duskin enlisted in the Army as an Artilleryman in 1993. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

CW2 Duskin graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 1998 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama. Duskin graduated from the Special Forces Warrant Officer Course in May 2010 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SSG KASHIF M. MEMON

25 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Houston, Texas, Staff Sergeant Kashif M. Memon died 25 October 2012 from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Memon enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 2001. He served for six years and in 2007 enlisted in the U.S. Army as an Infantryman.

SSG Memon graduated from Civil Affairs training in 2010 and was assigned to the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was serving as a Civil Affairs Team Engineer at the time of his death.



SGT CLINTON K. RUIZ

25 October 2012, Afghanistan

A native of Murrieta, California, Sergeant Clinton K. Ruiz died 25 October 2012 from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Ruiz enlisted in the Army as a Psychological Operations Specialist in May 2009. After training, he was assigned to the 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Ruiz was serving with 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 8th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.



2013

CPT Andrew M. Pedersen-Keel

SFC James F. Grissom

SSG Michael H. Simpson

WO1 Sean W. Mullen

SSG Stephen M. New

MSG George A. Bannar, Jr.

SFC Liam J. Nevins

SGT Joshua J. Strickland

SSG Timothy R. McGill

SGT Patrick C. Hawkins

SPC Cody J. Patterson

CPT Jennifer M. Moreno

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SSG Patrick H. Quinn

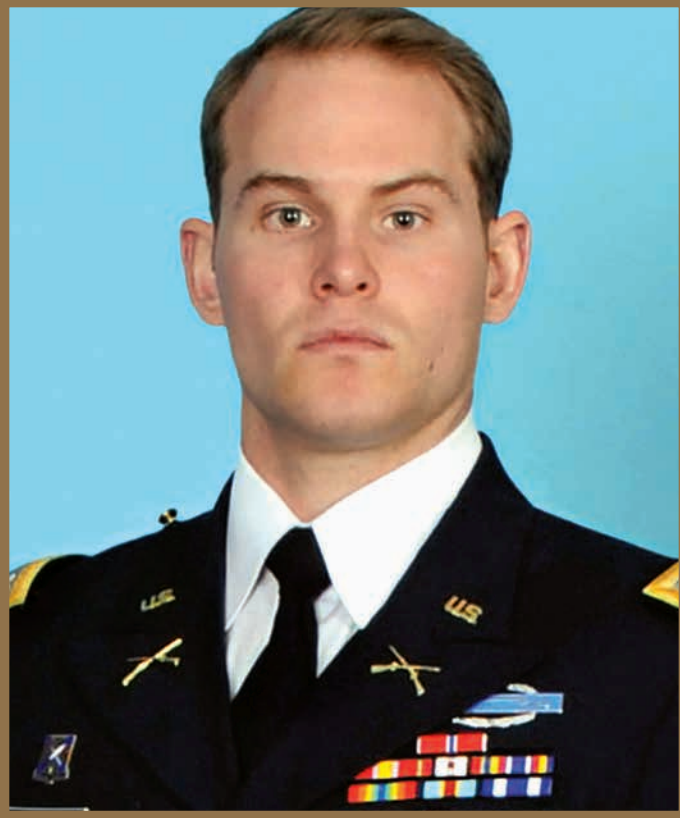
SSG Richard L. Vazquez

SSG Alex A. Viola



“He grew up knowing nothing but patriotism and loving America . . . He was an amazing kid. He would give the shirt off his back to anybody. His smile would just brighten the room. He was always happy.”

— Beth Strickland Funk, mother of SGT Joshua J. Strickland | pg 186



CPT ANDREW M. PEDERSEN-KEEL

11 March 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Madison, Connecticut, Captain Andrew M. Pederson-Keel died on 11 March 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while conducting a combat patrol in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from the U.S. Military Academy in May 2006, Pederson-Keel received a commission in the Army as an Infantry Officer. He served in the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, before attending the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Pederson-Keel graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2012 and was serving as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.



SFC JAMES F. GRISSOM

21 March 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Hayward, California, Sergeant First Class James F. Grissom died 21 March 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Grissom enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in June 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Grissom graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in October 2005 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. In 2012 he was reassigned to 4th Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group where he served until his death.





SSG MICHAEL H. SIMPSON

1 May 2013, Afghanistan

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Staff Sergeant Michael H. Simpson died 1 May 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Simpson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in April 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Regiment, Fort Myer, Washington DC.

SSG Simpson graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in July 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 4th Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, where he served until his death.



WO1 SEAN W. MULLEN

2 June 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, Warrant Officer 1 Sean W. Mullen died 2 June 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Lashkar Gah, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Mullen enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in November 2005. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

WO1 Mullen graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in April 2007 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Mullen graduated from the Special Forces Warrant Officer Course in November 2012 and returned to 2nd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, where he served until his death.





SSG STEPHEN M. NEW

28 July 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Bartlett, Tennessee, Staff Sergeant Stephen M. New died 28 July 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kabul Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

New enlisted in the Army in August 2003 as a Health Care Specialist. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he was assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SSG New graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in November 2010 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Birmingham, Alabama. He was mobilized in April 2013 and was serving with 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina at the time of his death.



MSG GEORGE A. BANNAR, JR

20 August 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Orange, New Jersey, Master Sergeant George A. Bannar, Jr. died 20 August 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan, during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Bannar enlisted in the Army as a Medical Specialist in October 1996. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

MSG Bannar graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in July 2003 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he was serving at the time of his death.





SFC LIAM J. NEVINS

21 September 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Denver, Colorado, Sergeant First Class Liam J. Nevins died 21 September 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktia Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Nevins enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 504th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SFC Nevins graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, where he served until his death.



SGT JOSHUA J. STRICKLAND

21 September 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Woodstock, Georgia, Sergeant Joshua J. Strickland died 21 September 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktia Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

SGT Strickland enlisted in the Army as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic in June 2008. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, he was assigned to Group Support Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, where he served until his death.





SSG TIMOTHY R. MCGILL

21 September 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Ramsey, New Jersey, Staff Sergeant Timothy R. McGill died 21 September 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktia Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

McGill enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 2001. He joined the Rhode Island Army National Guard in 2008 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 200th Infantry Regiment.

SSG McGill graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in August 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, in Middletown, Rhode Island, where he served until his death.



SGT PATRICK C. HAWKINS

6 October 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Sergeant Patrick C. Hawkins died 6 October 2013, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Hawkins enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in February 2010. He served for three years with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SGT Hawkins graduated from the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in September 2010 and was assigned as a rifleman and team leader in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.





SPC CODY J. PATTERSON

6 October 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Philomath, Oregon, Specialist Cody J. Patterson died 6 October 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Patterson enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in January 2012. He served for three years with 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

SPC Patterson graduated from the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in November 2012 and was assigned as a rifleman in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, where he served until his death.



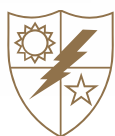
CPT JENNIFER M. MORENO

6 October 2013, Afghanistan

A native of San Diego, California, Captain Jennifer M. Moreno died on 6 October 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while her unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from the University of San Francisco, Moreno received a commission in the Army Nurse Corps. She was assigned to the Madigan Army Medical Center, Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

CPT Moreno was serving as a Cultural Support Team member attached to a Joint Special Operations Task Force at the time of her death.





SGT JOSEPH M. PETERS

6 October 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Springfield, Missouri, Sergeant Joseph M. Peters died 6 October 2013, of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Peters enlisted in the Army as a Human Intelligence Collector in 2007. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to the 210th Military Intelligence Company, and then 14th Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

SGT Peters later reclassified as an Army Criminal Investigations Specialist and was assigned to the 286th Military Police Detachment, Vicenza, Italy. He was attached to a Joint Special Operations Task Force at the time of his death.



SSG PATRICK H. QUINN

13 October 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Quarryville, Pennsylvania, Staff Sergeant Patrick H. Quinn died 13 October 2013, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Paktika Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Quinn enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 2006. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

SSG Quinn graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2013 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, where he served until his death.





SSG RICHARD L. VAZQUEZ

13 November 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Seguin, Texas, Staff Sergeant Richard L. Vazquez died 13 November 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in the Panjwayi District, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Vazquez enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in August 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SSG Vazquez graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in December 2010 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he served until his death.



SSG ALEX A. VIOLA

17 November 2013, Afghanistan

A native of Keller, Texas, Staff Sergeant Alex A. Viola died 17 November 2013, of wounds sustained from the detonation of an improvised explosive device while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

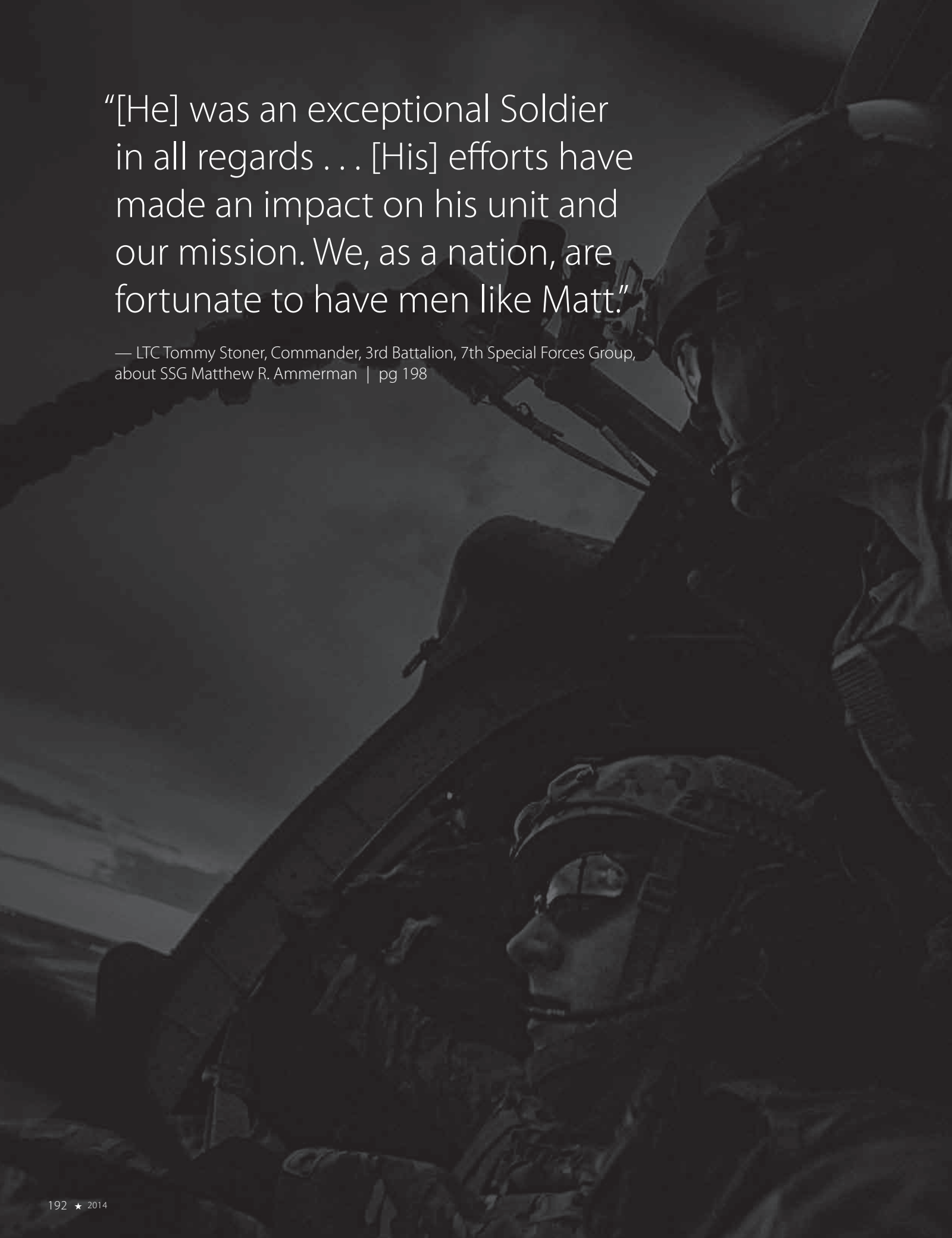
Viola enlisted in the U.S. Army National Guard in June 2009. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Camp Williams, Utah.

SSG Viola graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in June 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group. In March 2013, he was mobilized on active duty and assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he served until his death.



2014

SSG Daniel T. Lee
SPC Christopher A. Landis
SFC Roberto C. Skelt, Jr
SPC John A. Pelham
CPT Jason B. Jones
SSG Jason A. McDonald
SSG Scott R. Studenmund
SSG Girard D. Gass, Jr
SFC Andrew T. Weathers
SFC Michael A. Cathcart
SSG Matthew R. Ammerman



“[He] was an exceptional Soldier in all regards . . . [His] efforts have made an impact on his unit and our mission. We, as a nation, are fortunate to have men like Matt.”

— LTC Tommy Stoner, Commander, 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, about SSG Matthew R. Ammerman | pg 198



SSG DANIEL T. LEE

15 January 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Crossville, Tennessee, Staff Sergeant Daniel T. Lee died 15 January 2014, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Parwan Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Lee enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in October 2007. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 2nd Squadron, 1st Cavalry Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SSG Lee graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2012 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.



SPC CHRISTOPHER A. LANDIS

10 February 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Independence, Kentucky, Specialist Christopher A. Landis died 10 February 2014, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kapisa Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Landis enlisted in the Army as a Cryptologic Linguist in March 2011. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas.

SPC Landis was assigned to Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in August 2013, where he was serving at the time of his death.





SFC ROBERTO C. SKELT, JR

12 February 2014, Afghanistan

A native of York, Florida, Sergeant First Class Roberto C. Skelt, Jr. died 12 February 2014, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kapisa Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Skelt enlisted in the Army as a Signal Support Systems Specialist in October 1990. He completed Basic Individual Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia. He subsequently served in a variety of communications assignments stateside and overseas.

SFC Skelt graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2005 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was serving in 3rd Special Forces Group at the time of his death.



SPC JOHN A. PELHAM

12 February 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Portland, Oregon, Specialist John A. Pelham died 12 February 2014, of wounds sustained from enemy small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kapisa Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Pelham enlisted in the Army as a Signal Intelligence Analyst in July 2011. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and Advanced Individual Training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas.

SPC Pelham was assigned to Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in February 2013, where he was serving at the time of his death.





CPT JASON B. JONES

2 June 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania, Captain Jason B. Jones died of wounds sustained from small-arms fire while conducting combat operations in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, on 2 June 2014 in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

On graduating from the U.S. Military Academy, Jones received a commission in the Army as an Infantry Officer. He served in 2nd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

CPT Jones graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in May 2013 and was serving as a Detachment Commander in 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, at the time of his death.



SSG JASON A. McDONALD

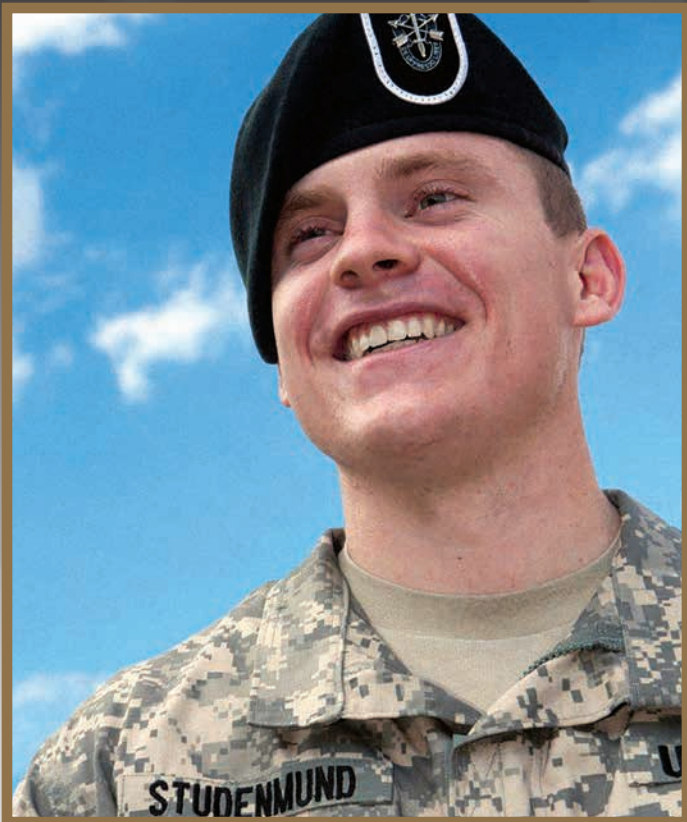
9 June 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Butler, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Jason A. McDonald died 9 June 2014, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Zabul Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

McDonald enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2004. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, Fort Carson, Colorado.

SSG McDonald graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2010 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death.





SSG SCOTT R. STUDENMUND

9 June 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Pasadena, California, Staff Sergeant Scott R. Studenmund died 9 June 2014, of wounds sustained while his unit was conducting combat operations in Zabul Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Studenmund enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2009. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Studenmund graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served until his death.



SSG GIRARD D. GASS, JR

3 August 2014, Afghanistan

Born in Charleston, South Carolina, Staff Sergeant Girard D. Gass, Jr. died 3 August 2014, of a heart attack while his unit was conducting combat operations in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Gass enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2008. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Gass graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2011 and was assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until his death.





SFC ANDREW T. WEATHERS

30 September 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Crestview, Florida, Sergeant First Class Andrew T. Weathers died 30 September 2014, of wounds sustained from small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Weathers enlisted in the Army as a Medium Helicopter Repairer in 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, he was assigned to the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SFC Weathers graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2010 and was initially assigned as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant to 4th Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. He was later assigned to 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, where he was serving at the time of his death.



SFC MICHAEL A. CATHCART

14 November 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Bay City, Michigan, Sergeant First Class Michael A. Cathcart died 14 November 2014, of wounds sustained from small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Kunduz Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Cathcart enlisted in the Army as a Fire Support Specialist in 2001. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

SFC Cathcart graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2009 and was assigned as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served until the time of his death.





SSG MATTHEW R. AMMERMAN

3 December 2014, Afghanistan

A native of Noblesville, Indiana, Staff Sergeant Matthew R. Ammerman died 3 December 2014, of wounds sustained from small arms fire while his unit was conducting combat operations in Zabul Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

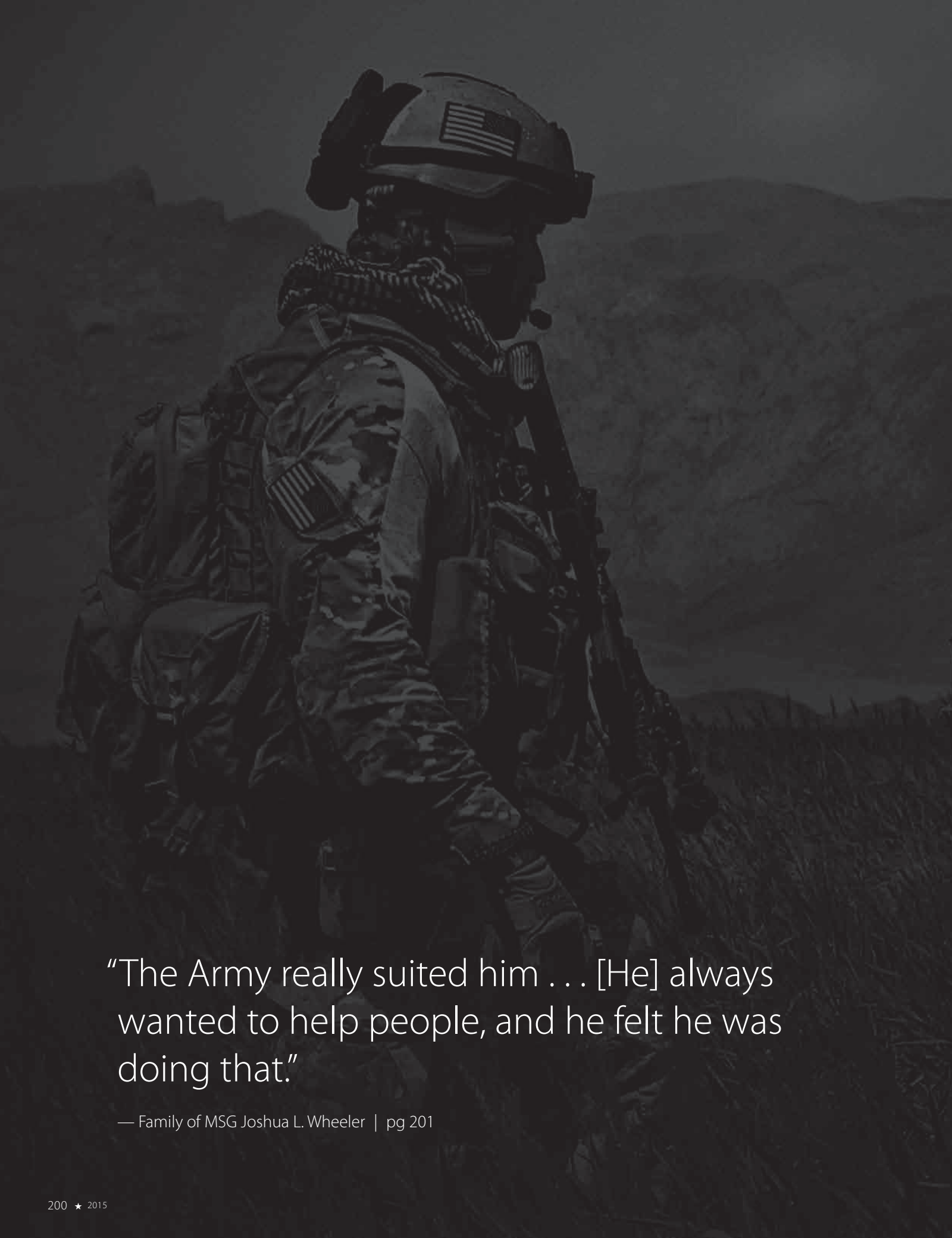
Ammerman enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in 2003. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 509th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Richardson, Alaska.

SSG Ammerman graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2013 and was assigned as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he was serving at the time of his death.



2015

1SG Peter A. McKenna, Jr
MSG Joshua L. Wheeler



“The Army really suited him . . . [He] always wanted to help people, and he felt he was doing that.”

— Family of MSG Joshua L. Wheeler | pg 201



1SG PETER A. MCKENNA, JR

7 August 2015, Afghanistan

A native of Bristol, Rhode Island, First Sergeant Peter A. McKenna, Jr. died 7 August 2015, of wounds received from small arms fire, when his unit was attacked at Camp Integrity in Kabul, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

McKenna enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in July 1998. He completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was assigned to the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, New York.

1SG McKenna graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2002 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant. He was the 1SG of Special Operations Joint Task Force – Afghanistan at the time of his death.



MSG JOSHUA L. WHEELER


22 October 2015, Iraq

Born in Roland, Oklahoma, Master Sergeant Joshua L. Wheeler was killed in action, 22 October 2015, near Hawijah, Iraq, in support of Operation INHERENT RESOLVE.

Wheeler enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in May 1995 and completed Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and Ranger School at Fort Benning, Georgia. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, and 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, serving as a rifle team leader, squad leader, weapons squad leader, and anti-tank section leader.

MSG Wheeler was assigned as a Special Operations Team member, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2004, where he served until his death.





“Matt was a born leader, a true American. He wanted to be a soldier since third grade, and he was doing what he loved to do . . . [He] was proud to serve his country, and he loved the men and women with whom he served.”

— Parents of SFC Matthew C. Lewellen | pg 207

2016

SFC Matthew McClintock
SSG Matthew V. Thompson
SSG Adam S. Thomas
MAJ Andrew D. Byers
SFC Ryan A. Gloyer
SSG James F. Moriarty
SSG Kevin J. McEnroe
SFC Matthew C. Lewellen



SFC MATTHEW McCLINTOCK

5 January 2016, Afghanistan

A native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Sergeant First Class Matthew McClintock died of wounds received in action, 5 January 2016, in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

McClintock enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in September 2006. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he joined the 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Bliss, Texas.

SFC McClintock graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in November 2010 and was assigned to the 1st Special Forces Group as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant. In December 2014, he was assigned to Company A, 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, in which he served until his death.



SSG MATTHEW V. THOMPSON

23 August 2016, Afghanistan

A native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson died of wounds received on 23 August 2016 from an improvised explosive device while on patrol in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Thompson enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in March 2011. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he reported to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, to attend Special Forces Assessment and Selection and the Special Forces Qualification Course.

SSG Thompson graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant in August 2014 and was assigned to Company A, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. Having previously served in Iraq during Operation INHERENT RESOLVE, this was his first deployment to Afghanistan.





SSG ADAM S. THOMAS

4 October 2016, Afghanistan

A native of Lyon County, Minnesota, Staff Sergeant Adam S. Thomas died on 4 October 2016 from injuries caused by an improvised explosive device while on patrol in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Thomas enlisted in the Army in April 2008 as an Infantryman. After completing Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training, and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he reported to the 3rd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. There he served as a rifleman, sniper, and scout squad leader, deploying to Iraq in 2008-2009 and to Afghanistan in 2011-2012.

SSG Thompson graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in October 2015 as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant and was assigned to Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He deployed to Afghanistan in June 2016 and served there until his death.



MAJ ANDREW D. BYERS

3 November 2016, Afghanistan

A native of Clarence, New York, Major Andrew D. Byers was killed in action on 3 November 2016, while his unit was conducting operations with Afghan allies in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Byers graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 2008, and was commissioned in the Infantry. He then commanded a rifle platoon in the 2nd Infantry Division on a tour to Iraq. His first assignment after completing the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2014 was as Executive Officer of Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group. He then assumed command of an Operational Detachment – Alpha on a deployment to Chad.

MAJ Byers was commanding an Operational Detachment – Alpha in Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group in Kunduz Province, Afghanistan, in November 2016. He died of wounds received from small arms fire while supporting an anti-Taliban operation with the Afghan National Army.





SFC RYAN A. GLOYER

3 November 2016, Afghanistan

A native of Greenville, Pennsylvania, Sergeant First Class Ryan A. Gloyer was killed in action on 3 November 2016, while his unit was conducting operations with Afghan allies in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

In 2004, Gloyer enlisted in the Army as an Airborne Infantryman. In April 2006, he earned the Ranger tab, followed by two tours in Afghanistan with the 82nd Airborne Division. In 2014, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant. After attending the Military Free Fall Parachute Course, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He deployed to Chad in 2015.

SFC Gloyer was serving in an in Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group in Afghanistan when he was killed by small arms fire in Kunduz Province. He was supporting an anti-Taliban operation with the Afghan National Army.



SSG JAMES F. MORIARTY

4 November 2016, Jordan

Born in Houston, Texas, Staff Sergeant James F. Moriarty was killed in Jordan on 4 November 2016 by small arms fire while supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE.

Moriarty enlisted in the Army in September 2011 as a Special Forces Candidate. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant in December 2013. He was then assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He deployed multiple times to the U.S. Central Command Area of Responsibility.

SSG Moriarty was conducting a Special Forces training mission in Jordan at the time of his death.





SSG KEVIN J. McENROE

4 November 2016, Jordan

A native of Tucson, Arizona, Staff Sergeant Kevin J. McEnroe was killed in Jordan on 4 November 2016 by small arms fire while supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE.

McEnroe enlisted in the Army in April 2008 as a Special Forces Candidate. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, in September 2008, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant in December 2011. He was then assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, deploying multiple times to the U.S. Central Command Area of Responsibility.

SSG McEnroe was conducting a Special Forces training mission in Jordan at the time of his death.



SFC MATTHEW C. LEWELLEN


4 November 2016, Jordan

Born in Kirksville, Missouri, Sergeant First Class Matthew C. Lewellen was killed in Jordan on 4 November 2016 by small arms fire while supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE.

Lewellen enlisted in the Army in February 2010 as a Special Forces Candidate. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant in November 2012. He was then assigned to 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, serving in both 3rd and 4th Battalions. He had a previous deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

SFC Lewellen was conducting a Special Forces training mission in Jordan at the time of his death.





“As he got older, he’s this massive, rough-and-tough John Wayne kind of guy. But if you knew him and talked to him, he was just a lovable clown. He was the nicest, most gentle man you ever met.”

Will Wright, brother of SSG Dustin M. Wright | pg 213

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SSG Mark R. De Alencar
SGT Joshua P. Rodgers
SGT Cameron H. Thomas
SGT Logan J. Melgar
SSG Aaron R. Butler
SSG Jeremiah W. Johnson
SSG Bryan C. Black
SSG Dustin M. Wright
SGT La David T. Johnson
CW3 Jacob M. Sims
SFC Stephen B. Cribben



SSG MARK R. DE ALENCAR

8 April 2017, Afghanistan

Born in Nuremburg, Germany, Staff Sergeant Mark R. De Alencar was killed in action on 8 April 2017 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

De Alencar enlisted in the Army in 2009 as a Cannon Crewmember. After Initial Entry Training he reported to 2nd Battalion, 11th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Following deployment to Iraq, he graduated from Ranger School and returned to the 25th Infantry Division. De Alencar graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant in September 2016 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

SSG De Alencar was supporting counter-Islamic State operations when he was fatally wounded by enemy small arms fire.



SGT JOSHUA P. RODGERS

27 April 2017, Afghanistan

A resident of Bloomington, Illinois, Sergeant Joshua P. Rodgers was killed by small arms fire on 27 April 2017 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Rodgers enlisted in the Army in August 2013 as an Infantryman. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training, Airborne, and Ranger training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. Rodgers had two prior deployments to Afghanistan in 2014 and 2016.

SGT Rodgers was a Ranger Team Leader in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, at the time of his death.





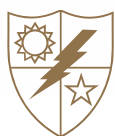
SGT CAMERON H. THOMAS

27 April 2017, Afghanistan

A native of Kettering, Ohio, Sergeant Cameron H. Thomas was killed by small arms fire on 27 April 2017 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Thomas enlisted in the Army in February 2012 as an Infantryman. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training, Airborne, and Ranger training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He had two previous deployments to Afghanistan during 2012 and 2014.

SGT Thomas was a Sniper in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, at the time of his death.



SGT LOGAN J. MELGAR

4 June 2017, Mali

Born in the United Kingdom, and a native of Lubbock, Texas, Staff Sergeant Logan J. Melgar died from a non-battle related cause on 4 June 2017 in Bamako, Mali.

SSG Melgar enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2012, and completed Infantry One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. After graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2014 as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in 2014, and Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL in 2015-2016.

SSG Melgar was deployed in support of Special Operations Command Forward-North and West Africa at the time of his death.





SSG AARON R. BUTLER

16 August 2017, Afghanistan

A native of Monticello, Utah, Staff Sergeant Aaron R. Butler was killed on 16 August 2017 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Butler enlisted in the Utah Army National Guard as an Engineer in 2008. Following Initial Entry Training, he was assigned to 1457th Engineer Battalion, in Blanding, Utah. In 2015, SSG Butler transferred to 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, Camp Williams, Utah.

SSG Butler was participating in a counter-Islamic State of Iraq and Syria-Khorasan mission alongside Afghan forces when he suffered fatal wounds from an improvised explosive device.



SFC JEREMIAH W. JOHNSON

4 October 2017, Niger

Sergeant First Class Jeremiah W. Johnson of Springboro, Ohio, was killed while conducting a reconnaissance patrol near Tongo Tongo, Niger, on 4 October 2017.

Johnson enlisted in the Army in October 2007 as a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Specialist. After training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, he served in Chemical units at Fort Hood, Texas, and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, deploying to Jordan in 2012. After Airborne training in 2014, he served in 9th and 5th Psychological Operations Battalions, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Johnson was then assigned to 14th Chemical Detachment, General Support Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2015.

SFC Johnson was an assistant team leader in the 14th Chemical Detachment when he was killed by enemy gunfire during contingency operations.





SSG BRYAN C. BLACK

4 October 2017, Niger

Born at Camp Pendleton, California, but raised in Puyallup, Washington, Staff Sergeant Bryan C. Black was killed while conducting a reconnaissance patrol near Tongo Tongo, Niger, on 4 October 2017.

Black enlisted in the Army in October 2009 as a Combat Medical Specialist. After Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he was assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado, as an Emergency Care Specialist. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2014 as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant, and was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL in 2015.

SSG Black was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, when he was killed by enemy gunfire during contingency operations.



SSG DUSTIN M. WRIGHT

4 October 2017, Niger

A native of Lyons, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Dustin M. Wright was killed while conducting a reconnaissance patrol near Tongo Tongo, Niger, on 4 October 2017.

Wright enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2012. The following year, he graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Wright was a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, when he was killed by enemy gunfire during contingency operations.





SGT LA DAVID T. JOHNSON

4 October 2017, Niger

Sergeant La David T. Johnson, a native of Miami Gardens, Florida, was killed while conducting a reconnaissance patrol near Tongo Tongo, Niger, on 4 October 2017.

Johnson enlisted in the Army in 2014 as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic. After training at Fort Lee, Virginia, and graduation from Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SGT Johnson was a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic in 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, when he was killed by enemy gunfire during contingency operations.



CW3 JACOB M. SIMS

27 October 2017, Afghanistan

Born in Oklahoma, and a resident of Alaska, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Jacob M. Sims died on 27 October 2017 of injuries sustained from a helicopter crash while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL in Logar Province, Afghanistan.

Sims enlisted in the Army as a Combat Engineer in 1999, and after initial training was assigned to the 20th Engineer Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. After Warrant Officer Flight Training in 2010, he was assigned to Fort Wainwright, Alaska, as a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter pilot. In 2014, Sims completed Green Platoon and was assigned to 4th Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. During his career Sims deployed to Kosovo, Laos, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

CW3 Sims was a Fully Mission Qualified MH-47 Pilot-in-Command and a Company Aviation Safety Officer in 4th Battalion, 160th, at the time of his death.





SFC STEPHEN B. CRIBBEN

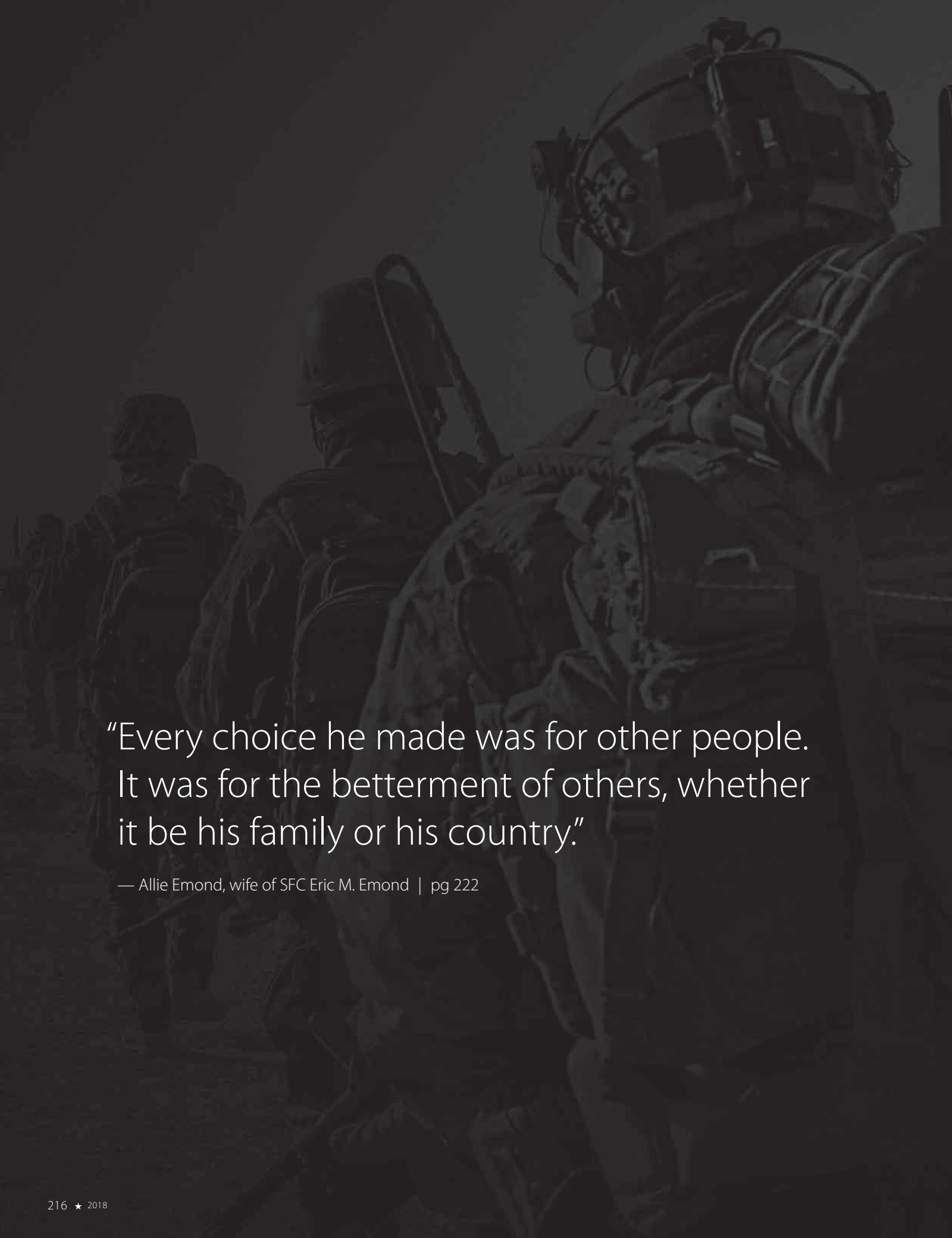
4 November 2017, Afghanistan

A resident of Simi Valley, California, Sergeant First Class Stephen B. Cribben was killed on 4 November 2017 in Logar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Cribben enlisted in the Army in November 2002 as a Military Policeman. After initial training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, he served with Military Police units in Korea and at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, deploying to Egypt, Afghanistan, and Iraq. In 2010, Cribben transferred to the U.S. Army Garrison Baumholder, Provost Marshal's Office. After completing the Special Forces Qualification Course in December 2014, he was assigned to the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado, as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant.

SFC Cribben was a Senior Communications Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, when he died of wounds sustained during combat operations.





“Every choice he made was for other people. It was for the betterment of others, whether it be his family or his country.”

— Allie Emond, wife of SFC Eric M. Emond | pg 222

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SFC Mihail Golin
MSG Jonathan J. Dunbar
SSG Alexander W. Conrad
SFC Christopher A. Celiz
SFC Reymund R. Transfiguracion
CW3 Taylor J. Galvin
MAJ Brent R. Taylor
SGT Leandro A. S. Jasso
CPT Andrew P. Ross
SFC Eric M. Emond



SFC MIHAIL GOLIN

1 January 2018, Afghanistan

Born in Riga, Latvia, Sergeant First Class Mihail Golin, a resident of Fort Lee, New Jersey, was killed by enemy small arms fire on 1 January 2018, in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Golin enlisted in the Army in January 2005 as an Infantryman. After One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he reported to 3rd Battalion, 509th Infantry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Richardson, Alaska. While there, he deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. After completing the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 2014, he was assigned as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant to the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He deployed to central Africa in 2015, and again to Afghanistan in September 2017.

SFC Golin was a Senior Weapons Sergeant in 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, at the time of his death.



MSG JONATHAN J. DUNBAR

30 March 2018, Syria

Born in International Falls, Minnesota, and a native of Austin, Texas, Master Sergeant Jonathan J. Dunbar was killed in a roadside bomb attack on 30 March 2018 while supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE in Syria.

Dunbar enlisted in the Army in May 2005 as an Infantryman. After completing One Station Unit Training and Airborne School, he was assigned to the 325th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from Ranger School in 2008 and was assigned to 2nd Squadron, 38th Cavalry Regiment, 504th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas.

MSG Dunbar became a Special Operations team member in 2013 and was assigned to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command at the time of his death.





SSG ALEXANDER W. CONRAD

8 June 2018, Somalia

A native of Chandler, Arizona, Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad died on 8 June 2018 from wounds sustained in action while supporting Operation OCTAVE SHIELD in southern Somalia.

Conrad enlisted in the Army in 2010 as a Human Intelligence Collector. After completing intelligence training at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, he reported to 502nd Military Intelligence Battalion, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. He deployed to Afghanistan in 2012 and 2014. He volunteered for an assignment with Special Forces in 2015. After completing Airborne School and French language training, Conrad was assigned as a Strategic Debriefing NCO to the Support Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SSG Conrad was conducting an operation with partner forces when he was fatally wounded by enemy indirect fire.



SFC CHRISTOPHER A. CELIZ

12 July 2018, Afghanistan

A native of Summerville, South Carolina, Sergeant First Class Christopher A. Celiz was killed by enemy small arms fire on 12 July 2018 in Pakiya Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Celiz enlisted in the Army in September 2007 as a Combat Engineer. After completing One Station Unit Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, he was assigned to 2nd Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, at Fort Hood, Texas, and deployed to Iraq. He was then reassigned to 92nd Engineer Battalion and deployed to Afghanistan. Upon completion of the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in 2013, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. He deployed to Afghanistan five more times with the 75th Ranger Regiment.

SFC Celiz was serving as a Mortar Platoon Sergeant in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at the time of his death.





SFC REYMUND R. TRANSFIGURACION

12 August 2018, Afghanistan

Born in Sarrat, Northern Luzon, Philippines, Sergeant First Class Reymund R. Transfiguracion died on 12 August 2018 from wounds sustained in action on 7 August 2018 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Transfiguracion enlisted in the Army in 2001 as a Motor Transport Operator in the Hawaii Army National Guard and deployed to Operation IRAQI FREEDOM in 2005. He transitioned to active duty in 2008, deploying to Iraq in 2008 and the Philippines in 2010. In 2015, Transfiguracion graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant and was assigned to Company B, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

SFC Transfiguracion was on patrol with Afghan Commandos when he was fatally wounded by an improvised explosive device.



CW3 TAYLOR J. GALVIN

20 August 2018, Iraq

A native of Phoenix, Arizona, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Taylor J. Galvin died on 20 August 2018 of injuries sustained from a helicopter crash while supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE in Sinjar, Ninevah Province, Iraq.

Galvin enlisted in the Army in 2003 as a CH-47 Chinook Aircraft Mechanic. After completing Warrant Officer Flight Training in 2008, he was assigned to Company C, 2nd General Support Aviation Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment at Fort Riley, Kansas. After completing Green Platoon in 2015, CW3 Galvin was assigned to Company D, 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Galvin deployed ten times in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and INHERENT RESOLVE.

CW3 Galvin was a Fully Mission Qualified MH-60 pilot in Company D, 1st Battalion, 160th SOAR at the time of his death.





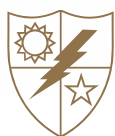
MAJ BRENT R. TAYLOR

3 November 2018, Afghanistan

A native of Ogden, Utah, Major Brent R. Taylor was killed by enemy small arms fire on 3 November 2018 in Kabul Province, Afghanistan, while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Taylor enlisted in the Utah Army National Guard in 2003, and in July 2006 he was commissioned as a Military Intelligence Officer. He served in numerous positions, including Platoon Leader, Mobile Training Team Chief, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer, and Recruit Sustainment Program Commander. Taylor deployed twice in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM from 2006 to 2008, and again in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in 2012.

MAJ Taylor was serving as a Combat Advisor on the Ktah Khas Advisory Team in support of U.S. Army Rangers at the time of his death.



SGT LEANDRO A.S. JASSO

24 November 2018, Afghanistan

A native of Leavenworth, Washington, Sergeant Leandro A.S. Jasso died 24 November 2018 as a result of wounds sustained by enemy forces in Khash Rod District, Nimruz Province, Afghanistan.

Jasso enlisted in the Army in August 2012. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he completed the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in 2013, and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. In 2013, he deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Graduating from Ranger School in 2016, he deployed twice in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

SGT Jasso was a team leader with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL at the time of his death.





CPT ANDREW P. ROSS

27 November 2018, Afghanistan

Born and raised in Lexington, Virginia, Captain Andrew P. Ross died on 27 November 2018 from wounds sustained in action in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan.

Ross was commissioned in the Army in 2011 after graduating from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. He served as an Armor Officer with the 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia, deploying to Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in 2013. He graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2017, and was assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Detachment Commander.

CPT Ross was supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL with his detachment when he was fatally struck by an improvised explosive device.



SFC ERIC M. EMOND

27 November 2018, Afghanistan

A resident of Brush Prairie, Washington, Sergeant First Class Eric M. Emond died on 27 November 2018 from wounds sustained in action while supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan.

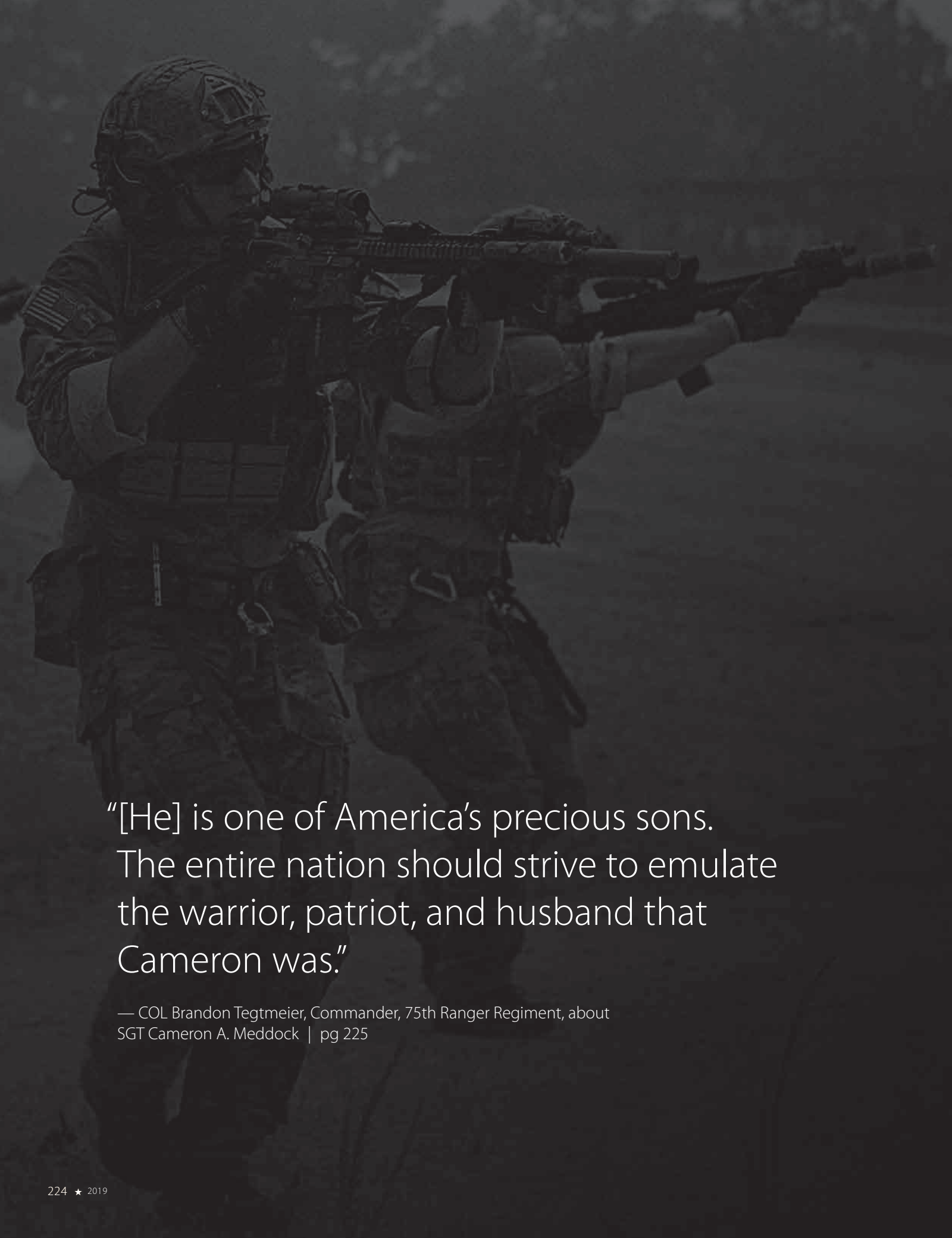
Emond enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1997 and served as an Infantryman until 2004. He joined the West Virginia Army National Guard in 2005, serving in the 19th Special Forces Group, and graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006. SFC Emond transitioned to active duty in 2014, and was assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, serving as a Special Forces Senior Weapons Sergeant. He deployed seven times, supporting Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM and OCTAVE SHIELD.

SFC Emond was assigned to 3rd Special Forces Group when he was fatally struck by an improvised explosive device.



2019

CW2 Jonathan R. Farmer
SGT Cameron A. Meddock
SSG Joshua Z. Beale
SFC Will D. Lindsay



“[He] is one of America’s precious sons.
The entire nation should strive to emulate
the warrior, patriot, and husband that
Cameron was.”

— COL Brandon Tegtmeier, Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment, about
SGT Cameron A. Meddock | pg 225



CW2 JONATHAN R. FARMER

16 January 2019, Syria

A native of Palm Beach Garden, Florida, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jonathan R. Farmer died on 16 January 2019 from wounds sustained while conducting a key leader engagement meeting in Manbij, Syria.

Farmer enlisted in the Army as a Special Forces Candidate in 2005. He completed Infantry One Station Unit Training and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, before graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2007 as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant. Farmer was then assigned to Company B, 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Following completion of the Special Forces Warrant Officer Course in 2016, he returned to his former unit to serve as an Assistant Operational Detachment – Alpha Commander. Farmer deployed nine times over a span of ten years to Iraq, Afghanistan, Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria.

CW2 Farmer was supporting Operation INHERENT RESOLVE with his detachment when he was fatally wounded by an enemy suicide bomber.



SGT CAMERON A. MEDDOCK

17 January 2019, Afghanistan

A native of Spearman, Texas, Sergeant Cameron A. Meddock died 17 January 2019 from injuries sustained by enemy small arms fire on 12 January in Jawand District, Badghis Province, Afghanistan.

Meddock enlisted in the Army as an Infantryman in November 2014. After completing Infantry One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and the Ranger Assessment and Selection Program in 2015, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. Following a deployment to Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, he graduated from Ranger School in 2017.

SGT Meddock was a fire team leader with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL at the time of his death.





SSG JOSHUA Z. BEALE

22 January 2019, Afghanistan

A resident of Carrollton, Virginia, Staff Sergeant Joshua Z. Beale died on 22 January 2019 from wounds sustained in action in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan.

Beale enlisted in the Army in 2011 as a Special Forces Candidate. He completed Infantry One Station Unit Training and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon graduation from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2013, he was assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant. He deployed to Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in 2014, Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL in 2015, and Nigeria in 2016.

SSG Beale was supporting Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL with his detachment when he was fatally struck by enemy small arms fire.



SFC WILL D. LINDSAY

22 March 2019, Afghanistan

A native of Cortez, Colorado, Sergeant First Class Will D. Lindsay died on 22 March 2019 from wounds sustained in action in Kunduz Province, Afghanistan, during Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL.

Lindsay enlisted in the Army in 2004 as a Special Forces Candidate, completing One Station Unit Training and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Graduating from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2006 as a Special Forces Weapons Sergeant, he reported to the 10th Special Forces Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. He then served at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before returning to 10th Special Forces Group in 2015. He deployed multiple times to Iraq and Afghanistan.

SFC Lindsay was serving as an Operations and Intelligence Sergeant in Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, at the time of his death.





The Fallen

in Alphabetical Order

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Adams, Danial R.	MSG	167
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Allison, Thomas F.	SGT	8
Ammerman, Matthew R.	SSG	198
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Anderson, Marc A.	SPC	13
Andres, Joseph J., Jr.	MSG	68
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Barraza, Ricardo	SSG	76
Beale, Joshua Z.	SSG	226
Bennett, William M.	SFC	27
Bessa, Jeremy E.	SSG	128
Bibby, Mark A.	CPL	26
Bishop, Keith R.	SSG	138
Bitner, Benjamin F.	MSG	162
Black, Bryan C.	SSG	213
Blasjo, Aaron J.	SGT	163
Blessing, Jay M.	SGT	29
Bohle, Bradley S.	SFC	135
Border, Jeremie S.	SSG	176
Brehm, Dale G.M.	SGT	76
Britton-Mihalo, Andrew T.	SSG	174
Brown, Jason L.	SSG	115
Brown, William R.	SFC	88
Buehring, Charles H.	LTC	28
Bush, Charles E., Jr.	PFC	30
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Casey, Nicholas A.	SGT	124
Cathcart, Michael A.	SFC	197
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Cerros, Ricardo, Jr.	SPC	168
Cervantes, Victor H.	SFC	52
Chandler, Jeremy A.	CPT	61
Chapman, Nathan R.	SFC	8
Chay, Kyu H.	SSG	87
Chris, Andrew F.	CPL	24
Christian, Rusty H.	SSG	145
Clarkson, Joel D.	SGT	148
Cliff, Richard G., Jr.	CPT	121
Clowers, Jesse G., Jr.	SSG	104
Coffin, Christopher D.	1SG	25
Coleman, Mark W.	MSG	150

Comfort, Kyle A.	CPT	151
Commons, Matthew A.	CPL	13
Conner, Bradly D.	SGM	99
Conneway, Timothy M.	SSG	25
Conrad, Alexander W.	SSG	219
Cornett, Lance S.	SFC	73
Crabtree, Daniel B.	SFC	82
Creighton, Andrew J.	SGT	152
Cribben, Stephen B.	SFC	215
Crose, Bradley S.	SGT	14
Curreri, Joseph F.	SSG	108

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Davis, Anthony D.	SSG	127
Davis, Jefferson D.	MSG	4
DazaChacon, Edwin H.	SSG	73
De Alencar, Mark R.	SSG	210
Decoteau, Marc P.	SPC	145
Dickinson, Michael A. II	SSG	83
Diesing, Trevor J.	SFC	61
Dillon, Benjamin C.	CPL	107
Dimock, Joseph W. II	SPC	152
Domeij, Kristoffer B.	SFC	169
Dominguez, Carlos	SSG	85
Dorrity, James P.	SSG	9
Dunbar, Jonathan J.	MSG	218
Duncan, Thomas F. III	SPC	118
Duskin, Michael S.	CW2	179
Dyer, Scott W.	CW2	86

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Eggleston, Brandon F.	SSG	174
Egnor, Jody L.	CW2	9
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Elizarraras, Emigdio E.	MSG	75
Emond, Eric M.	SFC	222

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Farmer, Jonathan R.	CW2	225
Feistner, Curtis D.	MAJ	10
Ferguson, Richard L.	MSG	36
Fernandez, George A.	MSG	22
Fester, Gregory J.	MAJ	63
Foshee, Jeremy D.	SGT	10
Frampton, Gregory M.	SSG	20
Freeman, Brian S.	CPT	93
Freeman, Bryan L., Jr.	SGT	45
Frith, Kerry W.	SSG	11
Frye, Nichole M.	SPC	35

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Galvin, Taylor J.	CW3	220
Ganczewski, Steven C.	SGT	110
Garbs, Ryan C.	SPC	95
Garza, Damian J.	PFC	59
Gasper, Frank J.	SSG	116
Gass, Girard D., Jr.	SSG	196
Gathercole, Christopher	SPC	117
Gibbons, Thomas J.	CW3	20
Gloyer, Ryan A.	SFC	206
Goare, Shamus O.	SSG	54
Goldsmith, Wyatt A.	SFC	165
Golin, Mihail	SFC	218
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Goodnature, Corey J.	CW3	55
Goodwin, Robert S.	SSG	41
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Grissom, James F.	SFC	183

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Hernandez-Chavez, Josue E.	SGT	139
Herrema, Richard J.	SFC	77
Higgins, Tanner S.	SGT	173
Hogan, Wallace C., Jr.	MAJ	3
Holbrook, Jason E.	CPT	154
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Holleyman, Aaron N.	SSG	41
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Horrigan, Robert M.	MSG	53
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Hunsberger, Travis K.	SSG	118
Hurt, David L.	MSG	128

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Jasso, Leandro A.S.	SGT	221
Jeffries, Joseph A.	SPC	38
Jerak, Ivica	MSG	62
Johnson, Alan R.	MAJ	94

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Kettle, Jeffrey D.	SFC	104
Kimmell, Matthew A.	SSG	65
Kinser, Adam G.	SPC	34
Kisling, Daniel L.	SSG	21
Kitowski, Charles B. III	SGT	105
Kline, Keith A.	SGT	102
Knox, Adam L.	SPC	85
Kolath, Obediah J.	SFC	63
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Kubik, Ronald A.	SGT	149
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Lilley, Arthur L.	MSG	100
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Lobosco, Andrew T.	SSG	133
Long, Ryan P.	SPC	23
Longworth, Christian	SSG	81
Luce, Ronald G., Jr.	CPT	131
Lugo, Martin A.	SGT	157
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Lutz, George A. II	CPL	69
Lyons, Niall D.	CW3	139

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Mahaffee, Shane R.M.	CPT	80
Maholic, Thomas D.	MSG	82
Mancini, Curtis	SFC	34
Mardis, Paul C., Jr.	SSG	40
Marquez, Justin C.	SSG	177
Martin, Jack M. III	SSG	137
Maseth, Ryan D.	SSG	113
McCants, Hershel D., Jr.	CW3	97
McClintock, Matthew	SFC	204
McCloskey, Shawn P.	SFC	136

McDonald, Jason A.	SSG	195
McDowell, David L.	SFC	116
McEnroe, Kevin J.	SSG	207
McGhee, Ryan C.	CPL	129
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McNabb, Shawn H.	SSG	140
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— John J. Pershing, General of the Armies



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