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SGT. NICHOLAS A. CASEY

Died on Oct. 27, 2008 Operation Enduring Freedom

Sgt. Nicholas A. Casey, 22, assigned to Headquarters Support Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), was killed by a suicide bomber Oct. 27 in Pul-e-Khumri, the capital of Baghlan province, Afghanistan while in support of combat operations.

He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Oct. 2008 as a member of the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force – Afghanistan. This was his second deployment in support of the Global War on Terror and first deployment to Afghanistan.



Casey, a native of Canton, Ohio, volunteered for military service and entered the Air Force in July 2004. He received a branch transfer to the Army in February 2005 and entered as a human intelligence collector. He attended basic training at Fort Knox, Ky., and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Upon completion of training Casey was assigned to the 163rd Military Intelligence Battalion, 504th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas. He deployed with the 163rd in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from August 2006 until October 2007. In July 2008 Casey moved to 3rd Bn, 7th SFG (A) at Fort Bragg, N.C.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

Casey is survived by his wife, Rachelle; sons, Nicholas II and Curtis; father, Samuel Casey; mother, Debaroh Mitchell; brother, Samuel Casey III; and sister, Amber Casey, all of Canton, Ohio.

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