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SPC. NICHOLE M. FRYE
Killed in action on Feb. 16, 2004
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Spc. Nichole M. Frye was born on April 10, 1984. She was a civil affairs specialist assigned to the 415th Civil Affairs Battalion, an Army Reserve unit based in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Frye was killed on Feb. 16, 2004 when her convoy was attacked by an improvised explosive device near the town of Baqubah, Iraq. She was a resident of Lena, Wis.

In April 2002, she joined the 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion in Green Bay, Wis. She was transferred to the 415th Civil Affairs Battalion prior to her mobilization for Operation Iraqi Freedom in November 2003.

Her unit deployed in January 2004 to support operations in Iraq.

Her awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

Frye was the first female Army special operations Soldier to be killed in combat.

In her civilian life, she worked as a waitress and was planning to attend North East Wisconsin Technical College to train to be a firefighter after redeploying from Iraq.

Frye is survived by her parents, Lisa and James Frye; her sister, Crystal; and her brother William, of Oconto, Wis.



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