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SPC. JOSEPH A. JEFFRIES
Killed in action on May 29, 2004
Operation Enduring Freedom

Spc. Joseph A. Jeffries was born Feb. 1, 1983. He was a psychological operations specialist assigned to the 320th Psychological Operations Company, an Army Reserve unit based in Portland, Ore.

On May 29, 2004, Jeffries was fatally wounded in southern Afghanistan when the vehicle he was traveling in hit an improvised explosive device while trying to avoid another landmine in the road. Three other U.S. service members were killed during the explosion.

His unit was attached to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Jeffries enlisted in the Army Reserve in October 2001 and completed the Psychological Operations Specialist Course at Fort Bragg, N.C.

His awards include the Purple Heart, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

He is survived by his wife, Betsy, of Beaverton, Ore. and his parents, Mark and Linda Jeffries, also of Beaverton.



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