



## **95th CIVIL AFFAIRS BRIGADE (AIRBORNE)**

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# **SGT. KEITH A. KLINE**

## **Died on July 5, 2007**

### **Operation Iraqi Freedom**

Sgt. Keith A. Kline, 24, was a communication systems support specialist assigned to Bravo Company, 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, 95th Civil Affairs Brigade (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Kline died July 5, 2007, from wounds sustained in an improvised explosive device attack while conducting a patrol during combat operations in Baghdad, Iraq.

He was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as a member of a Civil Affairs Team supporting the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.



Kline was born and raised in Oak Harbor, Ohio. After entering military service in 2002, he received his basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. He completed his Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Ga., and was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 96<sup>th</sup> CA Bn (Airborne).

Kline's military education also includes the Basic Airborne Course, Fort Benning, Ga.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart Medal, four Army Achievement Medals, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and the Basic Parachutist Badge.

Kline is survived by his mother, Betty Kline and his stepfather, Allen Lipstraw of Oak Harbor.

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