Sgt. La David Johnson 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne)

Sgt. La David Johnson, a wheeled vehicle mechanic assigned to Forward Support Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), died during enemy contact while deployed to Niger, West Africa, Oct. 4, 2017.

Johnson was a native of Miami, Florida. Johnson enlisted in the U.S. Army in January 2014. After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, he was assigned to 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne). Johnson conducted two operational deployments to Niger in support of Special Operations Command Forward-North West Africa.



Johnson's military education includes Basic Airborne School, Combat Lifesaver Course, Generator Operators Course, Forklift Operator's Course, Fuel Handlers Course, Basic Leader's Course, and Wheeled Vehicle Recovery Course.

His awards and decorations include the Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with C Device, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Niger Cross of Valor with Star, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Combat Action Badge, Basic Marksmanship Badge (Sharpshooter with Rifle) and Driver and Mechanic Badge for Wheeled Vehicle.

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