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SERGEANT DUSTIN M. ADKINS
Killed on December 4, 2006
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Sgt. Dustin M. Adkins was born on January 6, 1984, in Finger, Tenn. He was a dental specialist assigned to the Group Support Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Campbell, Ky.

He died Dec. 4, 2006, from injuries sustained after the U.S. Marine CH-46 helicopter he was riding in made an emergency water landing in western Al Anbar Province.

Adkins entered the Army in May 2003 from Finger, Tenn., as a dental specialist. After completing basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. and advanced individual training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he was assigned to the GSB, 5th SFG(A). He deployed on his second tour of duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Aug. 2006.

Adkins' awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon and Parachutist Badge. He was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Meritorious Service Medal.

Adkins is survived by his wife Tiffany, son Matthew, daughter Atlanta, mother Karen Scudder of Finger, Tenn., and father Richard Adkins also of Finger, Tenn.



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