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Staff Sgt. Michael A. Dickinson II
Killed in Action July 17, 2006
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Staff Sgt. Michael A. Dickinson II, a U. S. Army Special Operations Command Soldier died July 17, from wounds sustained while engaging enemies of the United States in Ar Ramadi, Iraq.

Staff Sgt. Dickinson, 26, was a psychological operations specialist assigned to 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group, Fort Bragg, N.C. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in December 2005.

A native of Michigan, Dickinson graduated from Harper Creek High School, Battle Creek in 1998.

Dickinson entered the Army in June of 1998 and completed initial entry training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. After completing advanced individual training as a psychological operations specialist, he was assigned to the 9th Bn., 4th PSYOP Group. During his Army career, he served in various positions with the 6th and 9th PSYOP Battalions. In August 2005, his last assignment took him back to 9th Bn., as a team leader. He was a French linguist.



Dickinson's military training includes the Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Warrior Leader Course, Jumpmaster Course, Basic Airborne Course, Combat Lifesavers Course, and the French Language Course.

Dickinson's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, three Army Commendation Medals, five Army Achievement Medals, two Army Good Conduct Medals, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon and the Parachutist badge. His posthumous awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

Dickinson is survived by his wife, Glorygrace of Fayetteville, N.C., and children, Genesis, Juan, Jennifer, Angel and Abigail. He is also survived by his mother, Vicki Dickinson, of Battle Creek, Mich.

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