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STAFF SGT. MICHAEL W. HOSEY
DIED SEPT. 17, 2011
OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM-AFGHANISTAN

Staff Sgt. Michael W. Hosey, 27, of Birmingham, Ala., died Sept. 17 in Uruzgan province, Afghanistan of injuries suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire.

Hosey was assigned to Headquarters Support Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash. and was deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom-Afghanistan. This was Hosey's fourth deployment in support of Overseas Contingency Operations.

Hosey joined the Army in 2001 as a Cryptologic Linguist immediately following graduation from Clay-Chalkville High School in Pinson, Ala.

After attending basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., he attended the Defense Language Institute-Korean Program in Monterey, Calif., followed by Advanced Individual Training at Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo, Texas.



His first duty assignment was at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. with B Company, 304th Military Intelligence Bn., 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, where he instructed officers in the Military Intelligence Officer Basic and Career Course how to properly deploy Signal Intelligence assets on the battlefield. He also instructed Air Force Surface Weather Officers with future Army assignments and worked with the United States Border Patrol in the emplacement of the Remote Battlefield Sensor System (REMBASS).

In 2005, Hosey was assigned to 1st SFC (A), Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

Hosey's major military education includes the Defense Language Institute-Korean, Warrior Leader Course, Airborne School, Survival Evasion Resistance Escape School, and the Advanced Leader Course.

His awards and decorations include three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, two Army Good Conduct Medals, the National Defense Service Medal, two Afghanistan Campaign Medals, two Iraq Campaign Medals, the Global War on Terror Service Medal, two Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbons, the Army Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal,

He was posthumously awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star Medal.

Hosey is survived by his parents, Michael and Condi Hosey and sister, Laurie Brookshire of Birmingham, Ala.