

Biographical Sketch

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SGT. KIP A. JACOBY

Killed in action on June 28, 2005 Operation Enduring Freedom

Sgt. Kip A. Jacoby died June 28, 2005, in eastern Afghanistan when his MH-47D Helicopter was shot down by enemy fire during combat operations.

He was born Sept. 2, 1983 in Florida. A native of Pompano, Fla., graduated high school in 2002.

He enlisted in the Army in October 2002 as a heavy helicopter repairman. He attended Basic Combat Training (BCT) at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Eustis, Va.



In May 2003, Jacoby was assigned to the 160th Special Operations Aviation Training Company and upon completion of the Basic Mission Qualification Course was assigned as a helicopter repairman for 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne). In February 2004, he was reassigned within the battalion to Company B as a MH-47D crew chief.

Jacoby's military schools include the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course, the Basic Mission Qualification Course and the Heavy Helicopter Repairman Course.

His awards and decorations include the Air Medal, the National Defense Service Ribbon, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Army Aviation Crewmember Badge. He was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Air Medal for valor, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

Jacoby is survived by his parents, Stephen and Susan, of Pompano, Fla.

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