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SGT. 1ST CLASS CURTIS MANCINI
Died on Jan. 29, 2004
Operation Enduring Freedom

Sgt. 1st Class Curtis Mancini was born Dec. 12, 1960, and was a resident of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was assigned to the 486th Civil Affairs Battalion, an Army Reserve unit based in Tulsa, Okla.

He was killed when a weapons cache prematurely exploded near the town of Ghazni, Afghanistan on Jan. 29, 2004.

Mancini joined the Army Reserve in 1981 and attended the Reserve Officer Training Course and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in 1984. He transferred to the Florida National Guard in 1987 and served with Company C, 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne) until being reassigned to the Army Reserve's 487th Civil Affairs Battalion in Perrine, Fla.



His military training includes the Basic Infantry Course, Master Fitness Trainer Course, Infantry Officer Basic Course, Dignitary Protection Course, Long Range Reconnaissance Course and Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course.

Mancini's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Humanitarian Service Medal and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal. His state awards include the Rhode Island Star Medal, the Florida Commendation Medal and the Florida State Active Duty Ribbon.

In his civilian life, Mancini was a 16-year veteran of the Davie, Fla. Police Department. He graduated from Barry University, Miami Shores, Fla. in 1999 with a Bachelor's degree in public administration.

He is survived by his parents, John and Erika Mancini, and his children, Mikel, Sara and Kristen.

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