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Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman

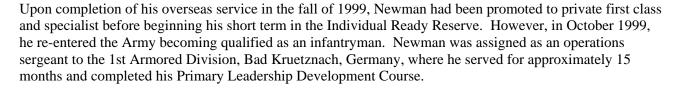
Killed in Action on Feb. 13, 2006 Operation Enduring Freedom

Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman was born on July 5, 1979, in Midland, Texas. He was a trained civil affairs noncommissioned officer assigned to the 321st Civil Affairs Brigade, San Antonio, Texas.

He died north of Deh Rawod in central Afghanistan when an Improvised Explosive Device detonated near his Humvee Feb. 13.

A resident of San Antonio, Texas, Newman entered the U.S. Army as a private in the Delayed Entry Enlistment Program in July 1996, one year before graduating from Pleasanton High School in Texas.

After his assignment at Fort Benning, Ga., where he completed both basic training and advanced individual training as a Bradley fighting vehicle infantryman in the fall of 1997, Newman's first duty assignment was with Company B, 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry, Baumholder, Germany. In the summer of 1998, he earned his Combat Lifesaver Qualification.



Newman returned to the IRR in April 2001, and two months later, re-entered the Army Reserve. He graduated from the Civil Affairs Specialist Reclassification Course and was assigned to an Army Reserve special operations unit, the 321st Civil Affairs Brigade, San Antonio, Texas. He deployed with the unit in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in June 2003 and was promoted to sergeant during this rotation. He returned from Afghanistan in February 2004.

In March 2005, Newman completed the Basic Airborne Course and then redeployed shortly thereafter to Afghanistan with the 492nd Civil Affairs Bn. in Phoenix, Ariz. He was promoted to staff sergeant in June 2005.

Newman's military training included the Driver's Training Course, Infantryman Course, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Infantryman Course, Basic Infantryman Course, Basic Airborne Course, Professional Leadership Development Course, the Civil Affairs Reclassification Course and the Combat Lifesaver Course.

Newman's awards included the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medals (3), Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Mobilization device, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon and As of 11 April 2006



the Parachutist Badge. His posthumous awards include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" mobilization device and the numeral "2" device, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and the Combat Action Badge. Newman was awarded Army Reserve Soldier of the Year 2000.

His civilian education included attendance at the University of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, where he studied criminal justice.

He took great pleasure in running, camping, fishing and spending time with his fellow Soldiers.

Newman is survived by his mother and stepfather, Deborah and Bill Agnew of Pleasanton, Texas, and his father and stepmother, Fred and Deborah Newman of Big Spring, Texas.

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