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SGT. JOSEPH M. PETERS

Killed in Action Oct. 6, 2013 Operation Enduring Freedom-Afghanistan

Sgt. Joseph M. Peters, 24. of Springfield, Mo., was killed in action Oct. 6, 2013, by an improvised explosive device while conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 2007. He completed basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and advanced individual training as a human intelligencer collector at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and was assigned to the 210th Military Intelligence Company. Following this assignment, Peters was assigned to the 14th Military Intelligence Battalion.

Peters reclassified as an Army criminal investigations special agent and was assigned to the 286th Military Police Detachment (CID), Vicenza, Italy as a special agent with the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command.



This was his third deployment in support of the War on Terror with two previous deployments to Iraq.

His military education includes the Criminal Investigation Division Agent Course, Protective Services Training Course, Human Intelligence Collector Course, Joint Analyst Interrogator Collaboration Course, the Advanced Crime Scene Investigative Technician Course and the Warrior Leader Course.

His awards and decorations include the Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal 2nd Award, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal with Arrow Device, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon and the Driver's Badge.

He was posthumously awarded the Combat Action Badge, Bronze Star Medal and Purple Heart. He is survived by his wife and son.