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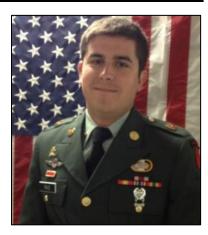
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## SGT. CLINTON KEITH RUIZ Killed in Action on Oct. 25, 2012 Operation Enduring Freedom

Sgt. Clinton Keith Ruiz, 22, of Poway, Calif., died Oct. 25 of wounds during combat operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom – Afghanistan.

Ruiz was a graduate of Murrieta Valley High School of Murrieta Valley, Calif., in 2008. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in May 2009 as a Psychological Operations Specialist.

Ruiz completed Basic Training at Ft. Leonardwood, Mo., August 2009 and the Basic Airborne School at Ft. Benning, Ga., October 2009. He attended the Psychological Operations Advanced Individual Training and Korean Language School at Ft. Bragg, N.C., graduating in August 2010.



In 2010, Ruiz was assigned to the 4th Military Information Support Group (Airborne), and in 2011 was assigned to the 5th Military Information Support Battalion (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C.

He was assigned to Company A, 9th Military Information Support Battalion (Airborne), 8th Military Information Support Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C., in February 2012. Ruiz deployed to Afghanistan in September 2012.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, National Defense Service Medal, Afghan Campaign Medal (Campaign Star), Global War on Terrorism Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and the Parachutist Badge.

Ruiz is survived by his spouse and son.

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