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CPL. JONATHAN J. SANTOS

Killed in action on Oct. 15, 2004 Operation Iraqi Freedom

Cpl. Jonathan Santos, 22, was a psychological operations specialist assigned to 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group (Airborne), an Army special operations unit based at Fort Bragg, N.C.

On Oct. 15, 2004, Santos was fatally wounded by an improvised explosive device while conducting vehicle-mounted loudspeaker operations with the 1st Marine Division in Karabilah, Iraq.

Santos, a native of Bellingham, Wash., served as a psychological operations specialist on a three-man tactical PSYOP team. His unit deployed in September 2004 to support Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Prior to OIF, Santos deployed to Haiti in March 2004 in support of a U.S.-led, U.N.-authorized Multinational Interim Force.



He entered the Army in July 2001 and completed the Psychological Operations Specialist Course at Fort Bragg in 2002. He was assigned to the 9th PSYOP Bn. in May 2003.

Santos had also graduated the Modern Arabic Language Course at Fort Bragg in 2002.

His awards include the Purple Heart, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon and the Parachutist Badge.

He is survived by his mother, Doris Kent, of Bellingham, Wash., and his father, Les Santos, of Oshkosh, Wis.

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