## Heroes Afghanistan

The **U.S.War in Afghanistan** code named **Operation Enduring Freedom – Afghanistan** (2001–2014) followed the United States invasion of Afghanistan of October 7, 2001. And that was followed by Operation Freedom's Sentinel (2015-present). (Source Wikipedia) The government there was a corrupt and repressive government and aided those who had attacked the USA on 9-11-2001. costing eventually over 3,000 lives in the U.S. However this was an urban insurgent attack and neither the government of Afghanistan nor groups within its borders were assembling for a mass attack on the USA. The Russians had become mired in Afghanistan years earlier and just gave up after years of struggle. Perhaps we should have learned from that. The religion and people there do not look favorably or want a Western way of life. Also to go in there would mean fighting an insurgency with gorilla warfare which is deadly and extremely costly. So why did the American leaders decide to invade? Well follow the money. The Vice President was the CEO of Halliburton which was already making Billions in profit from the Iraq War and another war would be mean millions of dollars in profits to war profiteering corporations and their rich buddies. Congress was being bribed to the tune of over a billion dollars a year by corporate interests. And the banking lobby would be making even more money on loans and resulting interest. So invasion, war, destruction and getting paid lavishly to rebuild meant big profits. The facts that another war was unnecessary, would cost thousands of lives needlessly, would put the country already in dept into more debt, violated the Human expectation that Humans Must Be Humane and was just plain wrong, was all ignored in favor of Greed. Result here we are after almost 20 years, the total sacrifice of American young people is over 8,000 and with nearly 50,000 injured. (Many of those will have permanent life ruining injuries.) See <a href="http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/war.casualties/">http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/war.casualties/</a> The cost is now in Trillions of dollars now owed in dept to China (who now pays for its military with American taxpayer money) and rich bankers who are living in excessive luxury on the backs of American taxpayers while 200 big corporations often pay little to no Income Tax. And when we leave Afghanisten it will soon be back to fighting its ongoing own civil wars on and on without end. And while Americans at home are in need of help we pour billions in aid to foreign countries. Now this historian asks was it worth even one American life? What was accomplished in Iraq and Afghanistan?



The following is about remembering our heroes to future generations. Lance Cpl. Dominic John Ciaramitaro Age: 19 From: South Lyon, Michigan Unit: Weapons Co. 3rd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force. Died: April 23, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan

Pfc. Eric William Hario Age: 19 From: Monroe, Michigan
Unit: Company A, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment Died: August 29, 2009
Fatal incident occurred in Paktika province, Afghanistan Died at a combat support hospital of wounds received in a rugged, remote mountainous area in Paktika province, Afghanistan.



Spc. Julie Rochelle Hickey Age: 20 Unit: 412th Civil Affairs Battalion, Army Reserve. Died: July 4, 2004 Fatal incident occurred in Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan Hickey was evacuated from Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, on June 30, 2004, and died in Landstuhl, Germany, on July 4 of complications

No Picture **Hospitalman Benjamin Phillip Castiglione Age: 21** From: Howell, Michigan. Unit: Navy corpsman assigned to the 2nd Light Armored

Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died: September 3, 2009 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan.



## Sgt. Phillip Allen Bocks Age: 28 From: Troy, Michigan

Unit: Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center Died: November 9, 2007 Fatal incident occurred in Aranas, Afghanistan Killed along with five soldiers when their patrol was attacked by direct fire from enemy forces in Aranus, Waygal district, Nuristan province, Afghanistan

Senior Airman Alecia Sabrina Good Age: 23 Unit: 92nd Communications Squadron, 92nd Air Refueling Wing Died: February 17, 2006 Fatal incident occurred in Ras Siyyan, Djibouti One of two airmen killed along with eight Marines when two CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters crashed into the Gulf of Aden near Ras Siyyan in northern Djibouti, while flying a training mission in the Godoria Range area.

**Spc. Joseph Thomas Prentler Age: 20** From: Fenwick, Michigan Unit: Company G, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment Died: October 4, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Mama Kariz, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his military vehicle using a roadside bomb in Mama Kariz in the Maywand district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan



Senior Airman Jason Thomas Plite Age: 21 From: Lansing, Michigan Unit: 38th Rescue Squadron, 347th Rescue Wing Died: March 23, 2003 Killed along with five other Air Force rescue team members when their HH-60 Pave Hawk helicopter crashed near Ghazni, Afghanistan, while on the way to help two injured Afghan children



## Sgt. Lucas Tyler Beachnaw Age: 23

From: Lowell, Michigan Unit: Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Died: January 13, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Darya Ya, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit using small arms fire in Darya Ya, Afghanistan



**Staff Sgt. David Pirie Day Age: 26** From: Gaylord, Michigan Unit: 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment Died: April 24, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Badghis province, Afghanistan Died of wounds received in a roadside bomb attack during combat operations in Badghis province, Afghanistan



Spc. Chazray Cleaantoine Clark Age: 24 From: Ecorse, Michigan Unit: B Troop, 4th Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division Died: September 18, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Zhari district, Afghanistan Died of injuries suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in the Zhari district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan

**No Picture Cpl. Daane Adam Deboer Age: 24 From: Ludington, Michigan** Unit: 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force Died: June 25, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died after a roadside bomb exploded.



**Pfc. Jackie Lee Diener II Age: 20** From: Boyne City, Michigan Unit: B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division Died: November 21, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Mandozai, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire in Mandozai, Kandahar province, Afghanistan



Pfc.Thomas Craig Allers Age: 23 From: Plainwell, Michigan Unit: Company A, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division Died: May 23, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Nari district, Afghanistan One of four soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a roadside bomb in the Nari district of Kunar province, Afghanistan



Spc. Shane Hasan Ahmed Age: 31 From: Chesterfield, Michigan Unit: Co A, 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division Died: November 14, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Watahpur district, Afghanistan One of five soldiers killed during a six-hour firefight that began when insurgents attacked their unit with small-arms fire during an operation to clear out Taliban militants and weapons caches.



Pfc. Brian John Backus Age: 21 From: Saginaw Township, Michigan Unit: HQ And Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division Died: June 18, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Kandahar province, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire.



**Staff Sgt. Vincent James Bell Age: 28 From: Detroit, Michigan** Unit: 2nd Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force Died: November 30, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died following a roadside bomb.



**Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Dean Blaskowsk Age: 27** From: Levering, Mi Unit: Co B, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Died: Sept 23, 2007 Fatal incident occurred in Korengal Valley, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small-arms fire during combat operations in the Korengal Valley of Kunar Province, Afghanistan,



Lance Cpl. Anthony Attilio Dilisio Age: 20 From: Macomb, Michigan Unit: 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died: May 30, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan



**Sgt. Dillon Black Foxx** Age: 22 From: Traverse City, Michigan Unit: HQ Co, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Div. Died: February 5, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Bala Murghab, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in Bala Murghab, Badghis province, Afghanistan

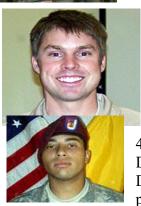


**Sgt. Daniel Alexander Frazier Age: 25** From: Saint Joseph, Mi. Unit: Company E, 782nd Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division Died: November 19, 2009 Fatal incident occurred in Shah Joy, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed when a suicide bomber detonated a truck bomb.

**Sgt. Jeremy Edward DePottey Age: 26** From: Ironwood, Michigan Unit: Company A, 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division Died: September 11, 2006 Fatal incident occurred in Asadabad, Afghanistan



Chief Petty Officer Jason Richard Freiwald Age: 30 From: Armada, Michigan Unit: Tactical Development & Evaluation Squadron 2, Naval Special Warfare Development Group Died: September 12, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in Afghanistan, from injuries sustained



1st Lt. Joel Christopher Gentz Age: 25 From: Grass Lake, Michigan Unit: 58th Rescue Squadron, 563rd Rescue Group, 23rd Wing Died: June 9, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Sangin, Afghanistan One of four airmen killed when their HH-60G Pave Hawk rescue helicopter was shot down in Sangin, Helmand province, Afghanistan

Cpl. Jordan Emil Goode Age: 21 From: Kalamazoo, Michigan Unit: B Troop, 4th Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division Died: August 11, 2007 Fatal incident occurred in Zormat, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when a homemade bomb exploded in Zormat, Paktia province, Afghanistan



**Sgt. Kristopher James Gould Age: 25** From: Saginaw, Mi. Unit: Company B, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division Died: February 27, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Ghazni province, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in Ghazni province, Afghanistan



**Sgt. Christopher Todd Griffin Age: 24** From: Kincheloe, Michigan Unit: B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division Died: October 3, 2009 Fatal incident occurred in Kamdesh, Afghanistan One of eight soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their contingency outpost with small arms, rocket-propelled grenade and indirect fires in Kamdesh, Afghanistan



**Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Lee Hilton** Age: 37 From: Livonia, Michigan Unit: Company F, 425th Infantry Regiment, Michigan Army National Guard Died: June 26, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in FOB Shank, Afghanistan One of three soldiers killed when their convoy encountered roadside bombs, small-arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades in Logar province, Afghanistan



Pvt. Chadwick James Horn Age: 21 From: Calgary, Alberta Unit: 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Died: September 3, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in Zhari district, Afghanistan One of three Canadian soldiers killed after an insurgent attack on their armored vehicle during a security patrol in the Zhari district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan.



**Sgt. Michael Keith Ingram Jr Age: 23 From: Monroe, Michigan** Unit: Company C, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division Died: April 17, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Kandahar, Afghanistan. Died of wounds suffered when a roadside bomb detonated near his dismounted patrol in Kandahar, Afghanistan.



**Sgt. 1st Class Mark Wayne Jackson** Age: 40 From: Glennie, Michigan Unit: Company A, 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group Died: October 2, 2002 Fatal incident occurred in Zamboanga, Philippines Killed in an explosion at an open-air market outside the gate of Camp Enrile Malagutay, in Zamboanga, Philippines.



Spc. Joseph Dennis Johnson Age: 24 From: Flint, Michigan Unit: 161st Engineer Support Company, 27th Engineer Battalion, 20th Engineer Brigade Died: June 16, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Kunduz, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed when insurgents attacked their unit with a roadside bomb at North Kunduz, Afghanistan.



**Spc. Joseph Michael Lancour Age: 21** From: Swartz Creek, Michigan Unit: Company C, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Died: November 10, 2007 Fatal incident occurred in Aranas, Afghanistan One of five soldiers killed along with a Marine when their patrol was attacked by direct fire from enemy forces in Aranas, Waygal district, Nuristan province, Afghanistan.



Senior Chief Petty Officer John Wayne Marcum Age: 34 From: Flushing, Michigan Unit: Tactical Development & Evaluation Squadron 2, Naval Special Warfare Development Group Died: September 12, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in Afghanistan Died on September 12, 2008, from injuries sustained during combat operations in Afghanistan.

**Sgt. Anthony Dennis Matteoni Age: 22** From: Union City, Michigan Unit: 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died: October 1, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

**Cpl. Paul James Miller Age: 22** From Traverse City, Mi. Unit: 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Exp Force Died: July 19, 2010 in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died following an roadside bomb attack in Helmand province, Afghanistan.



**Pfc. Joseph Alan Miracle Age: 22** From: Ortonville, Michigan Unit: Company A, 2nd Battalion, 503nd Infantry Regiment, 173d Airborne Brigade Died: July 5, 2007 Fatal incident occurred in Watahpur district, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed due to enemy small arms fire and indirect fire in the Watahpur Valley of Kunar province, Afghanistan.



**Spc. Bradley David Rappuhn Age: 24** From: Grand Ledge, Mi. Unit: Company B, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment Died: August 8, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Zhari district, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed when a roadside bomb detonated while their unit was attacking a heavily defended bunker system in the Zhari district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan.



**Seaman Benjamin David Rast Age: 23** From: Niles Mi Unit: Navy corpsman assigned to the 1st Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division, Marine Forces Reserve Died: April 6, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan



**Pfc. Shane Michael Reifert Age: 23** From: Cottrellville, Mi Unit: Company B, 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Div. Died: November 6, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Pech River Valley, Afghanistan Died at Combat Outpost Able Main of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire in the Pech River Valley of Kunar province, Afghanistan



**Pfc.** Antione Vincent Robinson Age: 20 From: Detroit, Michigan Unit: Company F, 782nd Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division Died: March 19, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in Nawa district, Afghanistan Died of injuries sustained when the vehicle he was repairing collapsed in Nawa, Afghanistan.



Chief Petty Officer Heath Michael Robinson Age: 34 From: Detroit, Mi Unit: Naval Special Warfare Development Group Died: August 6, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Tangi Valley, Afghanistan One of 22 Navy SEALs killed along with five soldiers and three airmen when their CH-47 Chinook helicopter was shot down while flying to assist a unit of the 75th Ranger Regiment that was pinned down by enemy fire.



**Staff Sgt. Kristopher Dan Rodgers Age: 29** From: Sturgis, Michigan Unit: HQ and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division Died: August 16, 2008 Fatal incident occurred in Korengal Valley, Afghanistan Killed when a roadside bomb exploded near his vehicle.



**Cpl. Nicholas Ryan Roush Age: 22** From: Middleville, Mi Unit: 1st Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations Group (Airborne) Died: August 16, 2009 Fatal incident occurred in Herat, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when a roadside bomb detonated near his vehicle in Herat, Afghanistan



Capt. Drew Edward Russell Age: 25 From: Scotts, Michigan Unit: Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division Died: October 8, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Kandahar, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a rocket-propelled grenade in Kandahar, Afghanistan.



**Tech. Sgt. Matthew Scott Schwartz** Age: 34 From: Traverse City, Michigan Unit:90th Civil Engineer Squadron, 90th Mission Support Group, 90th Missile Wing Died: January 5, 2012 Fatal incident occurred in Shir Ghazay, Afghanistan One of three three explosive ordnance disposal airmen killed when their vehicle was struck by a roadside bomb in Shir Ghazay, Helmand province, Afghanistan.



**Pfc.** Amy Renee Sinkler Age: 23 Unit: 109th Transportation Company, 17th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 3rd Maneuver Enhancement Brigade Died: January 20, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Baghlan province, Afghanistan Sinkler, the gunner in the turret of her vehicle, was killed when the vehicle was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade while in a convoy en route to Forward Operating Base Killaghey in Baghlan province, Afghanistan



Spc. Deangelo Barnell Snow Age: 22 From: Saginaw, Michigan Unit: Company D, 526th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division Died: September 17, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Zhari district, Afghanistan Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his vehicle with a rocket-propelled grenade in the Zhari district of Kandahar province.



**Staff Sgt. Nicholas Adam Sprovtsoff** Age: 28 From: Davison, Michigan Unit: 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment Died: September 28, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan One of two Marines killed while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

**Cpl. Jeffrey Robert Standfest Age: 23** From: **St. Clair, Mi** Unit: Company A, 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force Died: June 16, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Helmand province, Afghanistan Died of wounds sustained when a roadside bomb detonated during combat operations



**Spc. Brandon Keith Steffey Age: 23** From: Sault Ste. Marie, Mi Unit: 178th Military Police Detachment, 89th Military Police Brigade Died: October 25, 2009 Fatal incident occurred in Laghman Province, Afghanistan Steffey died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with a roadside bomb in Laghman province, Afghanistan. Steffey was a military dog handler and his dog Maci also was killed in the attack.



**Staff Sgt. Joshua Adam Throckmorton** Age: 28 From: Battle Creek, Michigan Unit: 527th Military Police Company, 709th Military Police Battalion, 18th Military Police Brigade Died: July 5, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Paktia province, Afghanistan One of three soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a roadside bomb in Paktia province, Afghanistan.

Petty Officer 1st Class Ross Laval Toles III Age: 37 From: Lapeer, Michigan

Unit: Provincial Reconstruction Team Sharana Died: June 18, 2008

Fatal incident occurred in Zerok, Afghanistan One of two sailors killed by an enemy rocket attack in Zerok in northern Paktika province, Afghanistan.

Cpl. Jacob Henry Turbett Age: 21 From: Canton, Michigan

Unit: 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died: February 13, 2010 Fatal incident occurred in Marjah, Afghanistan

Died while supporting combat operations in Marjah, Helmand province, Afghanistan

**Seaman Aaron David Ullom Age: 20** From: Midland, Michigan Unit: Navy corpsman assigned to 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 8, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died: July 12, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Now Zad district, Afghanistan Died while conducting a dismounted patrol in the Now Zad district, Helmand province, Afghanistan.



**Spc. Joseph Andrew VanDreumel** Age: 32 From: Grand Rapids, Mi Unit: Company A, 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 172nd Infantry Brigade. Died: August 14, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Yahya Khel district, Afghanistan One of two soldiers killed when they encountered a secondary explosion while dismounted during a vehicle recovery operation in the Yahya Khe



**Spc. Robert Lee Voakes Jr. Age: 21** From: L'Anse, Michigan Unit: 164th Military Police Company, 793rd Military Police Battalion, 3rd Maneuver Enhancement Brigade Died: June 4, 2011 Fatal incident occurred in Alingar, Afghanistan One of four soldiers killed when their mounted patrol was attacked with a roadside bomb in Laghman province, Afghanistan.



**Tech. Sgt. Howard Arlen Walters** Age: 33 From: Port Huron, MichiganUnit: 20th Special Operations Squadron, 16th Special Operations Wing Died: November 22, 2003 Fatal incident occurred in Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan One of four airmen killed along with a soldier when their MH-53M Pave Low helicopter accidentally crashed shortly after takeoff from Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan.



**Pfc. Shane William Cantu** August 28, 2012 Age 20 Corunna, Michigan Company B, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Died of wounds suffered when he was hit by shrapnel in Charkh, Afghanistan.



**Hospitalman Benjamin Phillip Castiglione** age 21 Howell, Michigan Navy corpsman assigned to the 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Died while supporting combat operations in Qalah-ye Now, Helmand province, Afghanistan.



**Sgt. Justin Michael Hansen** age 26 Traverse City, Michigan Marine Special Operations Team 8231, 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment



**1st Lt. Todd William Lambka Fraser, Michigan** age 25 Company D, 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division One of two soldiers killed by a roadside bomb in the Bermel district of Paktika province, Afghanistan.



**Staff Sgt. Matthew John Leach Ferndale, Michigan** Company B, 1st Battalion, 334th Regiment, 1st Brigade, 104th Training Division, Army Reserve Died at Kandahar Airfield in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on June 26, 2012



**Sgt. Joseph Michael Lilly Flint**, Michigan 18th Engineer Company, 1st Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division Died on June 14, 2012, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in the Panjwayi district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan.



**Sgt. Kyle Brenton McClain Rochester Hills**, Michigan 1433rd Engineer Company, 507th Engineer Battalion, Michigan Army National Guard Died following an improvised explosive device attack in Salim Aka, Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on August 1, 2012



**Sgt. Daniel Joseph Price** Holland, Michigan 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment One of two Marines killed while conducting combat operations in Badghis province, Afghanistan, on July 29, 2012



**Staff Sgt. Mark Henry Schoonhoven** Plainwell, Michigan 32nd Transportation Company, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division Died on January 20, 2013, from wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Cpl. Jeffrey Robert Standfest St. Clair, Michigan Company A, 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force Died of wounds sustained when a roadside bomb detonated during combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on June 16, 2010



**Petty Officer 2nd Class David John Warsen** SEAL Team Three, Naval Special Warfare Group One Warsen was one of three sailors killed along with four soldiers when their UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crashed in the Chinartu area of the Shah Wali Kot district in northeastern Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on August 16, 2012.