



Michael Mettille

February 11, 2007

Mettille, SGT MAJ Michael Charles age 44, of West St. Paul, passed away suddenly Feb. 1, 2007 at Tallil Air Force Base (Camp Adder), Iraq, of a heart attack. He was serving as 1st SGT for Alpha Company, 134th Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team. Michael served honorably with the Minnesota Army National Guard for 26 years and also served as a Federal Technician (MNARNG). Survived by wife, Pamela; daughter, Mary; son, Thomas; daughter, Elizabeth; son, Michael; parents, Charles & Anita; siblings, Kathryn (Dick) Todd, Laura (Tom) Dreas, Linda (Michael) Spiten, Lt. Cmdr (Ret.) Frank (Chris) Mettille, Julie (Glen) Steberg, Nancy Mettille, M.D. (Karl Hedin) and Connie Mettille; mother-in-law, Mary Christy; brothers-in-law, Thomas and Peter Christy; sister-in-law, Paula. Mass of Christian Burial Monday, 11 AM, Cathedral of St. Paul, 239 Selby Ave. Military Honors Ft. Snelling National Cemetery. "Stay strong and courageous." Washburn-McReavy Hillside Chapel 612-781-1999

Tribute Wall



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“ Going to spend some time with nature over the 4th for you, Dad. I'll be thinking of you and all the Independence Days we've spent together. I promise to "listen to the quiet." I miss you so much.

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Elizabeth Mettille,

Ames, Iowa

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Elizabeth Mettille - June 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Going to spend some time with nature over the 4th for you, Dad. I'll be thinking of you and all the Independence Days we've spent together. I promise to "listen to the quiet." I miss you so much.

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Elizabeth Mettille,

Ames, Iowa

Contact Me

Elizabeth Mettille - June 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



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SGT Alisha Gregoire,

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SGT Alisha Gregoire - February 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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PM

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Contact Me

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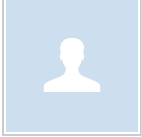
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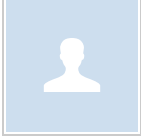
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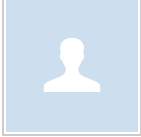
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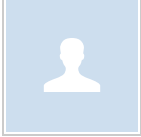
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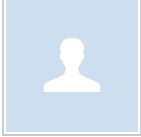
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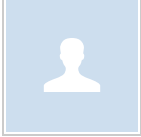
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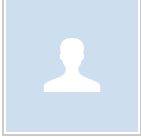
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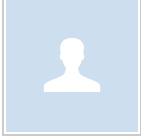
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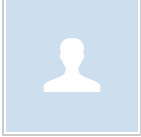
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“ pam and kids this is from one of 1sgt's soldiers ive know top now for about 14 months i was attached to alpha in nov of 2005. he was quit the 1st sgt he was always there to listen and to lend a helping hand i just loved his little smirk he always had on his face and his old famous saying good morning alpha company he will be deeply missed by all his soldiers not only was 1st sgt like a father figure to most of he was a great mentor he was so full of knowledge in which he passed onto alot of us he was a leader among leaders he always said alpha company leads the way.we all know he is in a better place he is sitting up in heaven looking down on us all i just hope we're making him as proud today as we did when he was with us. god bless you all and just know 1st sgt will never be forgotten in alpha company he will always be in our hearts and minds.

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SGT MICHELLE WILMES,

STARBUCK, Minnesota

SGT MICHELLE WILMES - February 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ I pray that God grace you with the strength to move forward, and bless you with the comfort of memories of Mike. God's blessing of eternal life has been bestowed with your loved one. It was my pleasure to have served with Mike and an honor to call him a friend. His knowing smile is emblazoned in my memory. Technically I was his boss during our service together, but reality was that Mike taught me. Not only in Army stuff but in life as well. He was an honorable man whom I deeply respected. Mike will be dearly missed. My heartfelt sympathy on your loss, MAJ (Ret.)

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Tom Browne,

Annandale, Minnesota

Contact Me

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“ Dear Pamela, Mary, and Thomas, I cannot begin to tell you how great your Husband/Dad was, he was by all means an outstanding soldier. Boots that will be hard to fill that's for sure. He will be missed deeply by all who knew him. Our hearts go out to you, let it be known SGM Michael C. Mettillie will not be forgotten. Please remember you are in our thoughts and prayers. SGT Mark A. Spurling and Family

~

Mark Spurling,

Champlin, Minnesota

Contact Me

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“ *I am from Winona and attended WSU, although I do not know you personally, I would like to extend my sympathy to your family. As well as my appreciation for his service to the country. God Bless.*

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Laurel Hansen

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“ Pam, though our friendship is new and the reasons we came together was because of our soldiers, I have a profound amount of gratitude for your commitment to our group, our soldiers, our new family. Thank you for allowing all of us to be a part of your family as well. Thank you for all you and Mike have done for our daughter while serving in Iraq. We stand ready for you, when you need us. May the grace of God walk with you today and always. The Muellners

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Mary Jo Muellner,

Pine City, Minnesota

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AA

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Joshua and April Morales,

Jeffersonville, Georgia

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“ *It breaks our hearts to hear that another American Hero has fallen. Please accept our deepest sympathies and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family always. God Bless the American Hero whom we have never met, God Bless the American Hero whom we shall never forget...*

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Mr. and Mrs. Loudon (Fellow Military Family),

Upsala, Minnesota

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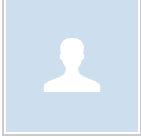
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Don Elseroad,

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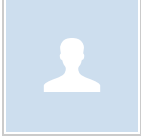
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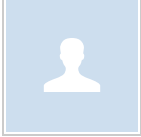


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