



Biographical Sketch

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Chief Warrant Officer 3 Steven Burton Redd Died August 8, 2011

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Steven B. Redd, 37, died Aug. 08, 2011, when his AH-6M Little Bird helicopter crashed at a live-fire range on Fort Benning, Ga., during a training mission.

Redd, a native of Lancaster, Calif., volunteered for Army service in June 1992. After serving nine years in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, as a Forward Observer, Redd was accepted into the Army Warrant Officer Program at Fort Rucker, Ala., in 2001. Upon graduation from the AH-64 helicopter course in 2002, Redd was assigned to Alpha Company, 6-6 Cavalry Squadron in Illesheim, Germany, as an attack helicopter pilot and instructor pilot. After a successful assessment in 2007, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) at Fort Campbell, Ky., as an AH-6M instructor pilot, aircraft survivability equipment-electronic warfare officer, and aircraft armament officer.



He is a combat veteran with 12 deployments, 10 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and two in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

His military training includes the Warrant Officer Candidate School, Aviation Warrant Officer Basic Course, Aviation Warrant Officer Advanced Course, Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course, AH-64 Aviator Qualification Course, Pathfinder Course, US Army Airborne School, US Army Jumpmaster Course, Joint Firepower Controller Course, and U.S. Army Ranger School.

Redd's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, three Air Medals, four Army Commendation Medals, eight Army Achievement Medals, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, three Army Good Conduct Medals, two National Defense Service Medals, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War On Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, three Overseas Service Ribbons, Combat Action Badge, NATO Medal, Senior Army Aviator Badge, Senior Rated Jumpmaster Parachutist Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

Redd is survived by his wife Adalia Redd of Clarksville, Tenn.; children Jazlyn, of Clarksville, and Tristyn and Dezaray of Fort Polk, La.; step-children Paige, Eden, and Ledger Halls of Clarksville. He is also survived by his parents Louis and Dorothy Redd of Layton, Utah.

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