

Sergeant Linda L. Pierre, USA (Immokalee, FL, 28 years)

101st Special Troops Battalion, 101st Sustainment Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, KY

Died: 16 Apr 11, at Forward Operating Base Gamberi, Nangarhar province, Afghanistan.

SGT Pierre died of wounds suffered when an Afghan National Army soldier detonated a suicide vest at a meeting. She was a human resource specialist. Pierre was survived by her parents.

Master Sergeant Tara R. Brown, USAF (Deltona, FL, 33 years)

Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Joint Base Andrews, MD

Died: 27 Apr 11, at the Kabul International Airport, Afghanistan

MSgt Brown died of wounds suffered when a veteran Afghan pilot opened fire in a training room after an argument with a foreign colleague. She was training Afghan airman on network and computer skills. Brown grew up in Long Island with three siblings, raised by their father.

Specialist Devin A. Snyder, USA (Cohocton, NY, 20 years)

793rd Military Police Battalion, 3rd Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK

Died: 4 June 11, in Laghman province, Afghanistan.

SPC Snyder, along with three of her fellow soldiers, died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked their unit with an improvised explosive device. She was born to an active duty Navy family that settled in New York. She graduated from Wayland-Cohocton High School in 2008, an all-county runner who also played soccer. Snyder was known as "Twiggy." She joined the army after graduation and loved serving.

First Lieutenant Ashley I. White, NC ARNG (Alliance, OH, 24 years)

230th Brigade Support Battalion, 30th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, North Carolina National Guard, Goldsboro, NC

Died: 22 Oct 11 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan

1LT White, along with two of her fellow soldiers, died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked her unit with an improvised explosive device.

Private First Class Sarina N. Butcher, OK ARNG (Checotah, OK, 19 years)

700th Brigade Support Battalion, 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Oklahoma National Guard, Tulsa, OK

Died: 2 Nov 11 in Paktika, Afghanistan

PFC Butcher and a fellow soldier died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked their vehicle with an improvised explosive device.

Specialist Mikayla A. Bragg, USA (Longview, WA, 21 years)

201st Brigade Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Knox, KY.

Died: 21 Dec 11 in Khowst province, Afghanistan

SPC Bragg died of a gunshot wound.

Specialist Erica P. Alecksen, USA (Eatonton, GA, 21 years)

978th Military Police Company, 93rd Military Police Battalion, Fort Bliss, TX

Died: 8 Jul 12, in Maidan Shahr, Wardak province, Afghanistan

SPC Alecksen died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked her unit with an improvised explosive device. Five other soldiers from her unit were also killed in the attack.