

Private First Class Melissa J. Hobart, USA (Ladson, SC, 22 years)

E Company, 215th Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, TX

Died: 6 June 04, Baghdad, Iraq

PFC Hobart died after collapsing while on guard duty. She dropped out of high school and then earned a GED. She joined the army to give her daughter a better life and finished at the top of her class as an Army medic. Hobart played soccer, basketball, baseball and the flute and loved to dance and read. She is survived by her parents and daughter, Alexis.

Sergeant First Class Linda Ann Tarango-Griess, NE ARNG (Sutton, NE, 33 years)

267th Ordnance Company, Nebraska National Guard, Lincoln, NE

Died: 11 July 04, Samarra, Iraq

SFC Tarango-Griess was killed when an improvised explosive device had a direct hit on her convoy vehicle. She was traveling in a 16 vehicle convoy through Samarra, a dangerous area. Her husband was an Army National Guard Staff Sgt Douglas Greiss who deployed to Iraq not long after Tarango-Griess was killed.

Sergeant Tatjana Reed, USA (Fort Campbell, KY, 34 years)

66th Transportation Company, Kaiserslautern, Germany

Died: 22 July 04, Samarra, Iraq

SGT Reed was killed when an improvised explosive device detonated near her convoy vehicle. She was a heavy wheeled vehicle operator who left behind a 12 year old daughter. Reed was considered a morale booster in her unit.

Sergeant Shawna M. Morrison, IL ARNG (Champaign, IL, 26 years)

1544th Transportation Company, Paris, IL

Died: 5 Sep 04, Baghdad, Iraq

SGT Morrison died as a result of a mortar attack.

Staff Sergeant Gina R. Sparks, USA (Drury, MO 35 years)

115th Field Hospital, Warrior Brigade, Fort Polk, LA

Died: 4 Oct 04, Fort Polk, LA

SSG Sparks died after being medically evacuated from Iraq as a result of a non-combat related incident.

Specialist Jessica L. Cawvey, IL ARNG (Normal, IL, 21 years)

1544th Transportation Company, Paris, IL

Died: 6 Oct 04, Fallujah, Iraq

SPC Cawvey died when an improvised explosive device detonated near her convoy vehicle.

Sergeant Pamela G. Osbourne, USA (Hollywood, FL, 38 years)

Division Artillery, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, TX

Died: 11 Oct 04, Baghdad, Iraq

SGT Osbourne died as a result of a rocket attack on her camp.