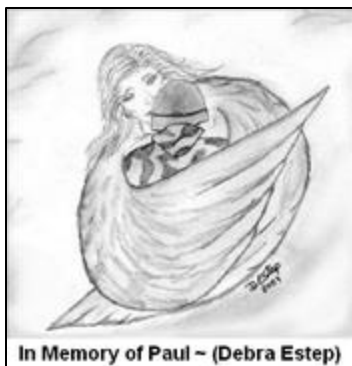


**MSG Paul D. Karpowich** of Center Street, Bridgeport, Pa., died Dec. 21, 2004, in Mosul, Iraq, after a bombing attack on the mess tent where he had gone at lunchtime. Born in Hazleton, Pa., he was a son of Richard Karpowich and Jacquelyn Getz. A 1992 graduate of Bishop Hafey High School, Hazleton, he continued his education at Luzerne County Community College, receiving an associate's degree in Architectural Design. While At LCCC, he was voted the architectural student of the year. Sergeant Karpowich also attended classes at Temple University, Philadelphia. Sergeant Karpowich was the regional sales manager and a



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designer for Eyedesigns, Colleagueville, Pa. He will always be remembered as a loving husband, son and brother, who was very devoted to his wife, Amanda, and all his family members. He cherished the American Flag and his country and held firmly to the beliefs for which they stood. Paul was also an avid hunter and fisherman. In 1992 he enlisted in the United States Army and was active for four years. Upon completion of this duty he joined the United States

Army Reserves and served from 1996 until the present. On Oct. 6, 2004, he was deployed to Camp Atterbury for further deployment for Iraq Freedom. His decorations and citations include Army Service Ribbon, Parachute Badge, EIB Infantry Award, Good Conduct Medals (4), Army Achievement Medals (2), Army Reserve Commendation Achievement Medals (2), National Defense Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Non-Commissioned Officer School Professional Development Ribbons (3), DS-IND Badge, Army Superior Unit Award, Purple Heart, and Bronze Star. Most recently he had been promoted to Master Sergeant. Surviving are his wife, the former Amanda Gadola; father Richard Karpowich and wife Claire, Freeland; mother Jacquelyn Getz and husband Barry, Hazleton; brother Sergeant Phil Karpowich and wife Holly, stationed and living in Butzbach, Germany; sisters Mrs. Kristen Moore and husband Sergeant Nathaniel Moore, Freeland; Joanne Karpowich, McAdoo; a godchild, Nataleign; several nieces and nephews; many cousins; and constant companions, Zoe and Romel. Funeral services with full Military Honors will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, Freeland, commencing with a Mass of Christian Burial. Relatives and friends are invited to attend visitation on Thursday from 5 to 9 p.m. in St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, South and Vine streets, Freeland.



# MSG PAUL D. KARPOWICH

## SMALL ARMS RANGE COMPLEX

THE SMALL ARMS RANGE COMPLEX IS DEDICATED THIS 23RD DAY OF APRIL 2012 IN MEMORY OF MSG PAUL D. KARPOWICH FOR SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO HIS COUNTRY, THE US ARMY, HIS FELLOW SOLDIERS, AND WORLDWIDE FREEDOM.



1974 - 2004

- ★ BORN TO RICHARD AND JACKIE KARPOWICH, 31 JULY 1974.
- ★ DEPLOYED TO OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. KILLED IN ACTION, FOB MAREZ, MOSUL, IRAQ - 21 DECEMBER 2004.
- ★ SERVICE AWARDS AND BADGES: BRONZE STAR, PURPLE HEART, MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL, ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL, JOINT SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, ARMY RESERVE COMPONENT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY AND SERVICE MEDALS, ARMED FORCES RESERVE MEDAL WITH MOBILIZATION DEVICE, NCO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RIBBON, ARMY SERVICE RIBBON, THE MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE OBSERVERS MEDAL, COMBAT INFANTRYMAN'S BADGE, EXPERT INFANTRYMAN'S BADGE, PARACHUTIST BADGE AND DRILL SERGEANT BADGE.

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