

## Michigan Soldiers Killed In Afghanistan

### May They Rest In Peace



Spc. Shane Hasan Ahmed  
Chesterfield, Michigan  
31

Company A, 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division

One of five soldiers killed during a six-hour firefight that began when insurgents attacked their unit with small-arms fire during an operation to clear out Taliban militants and weapons caches near the Pech River in the Watahpur district of Kunar province, Afghanistan, on November 14, 2010



Pfc. Thomas Craig Allers  
Plainwell, Michigan  
23

Company A, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division

One of four soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a roadside bomb in the Nari district of Kunar province, Afghanistan, on May 23, 2011



Pfc. Brian John Backus  
Saginaw Township, Michigan  
21

Headquarters And Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on June 18,



Sgt. Lucas Tyler Beachnaw  
23

Lowell, Michigan

2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team  
Died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit using small arms fire in Darya Ya, Afghanistan, on January 13, 2010



Staff Sgt. Vincent James Bell

28

Detroit, Michigan

2nd Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died following a roadside bomb attack while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on November 30, 2011



Sgt. 1st Class Matthew D. Blaskowski

27

2nd Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team

Levering, Michigan

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small-arms fire during combat operations in Asadabad, Afghanistan, on September 23, 2007



Sgt. Phillip A. Bocks

28

Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center  
Troy, Michigan

Died while conducting combat operations in Aranus, Afghanistan, on November 9, 2007



Pfc. Shane William Cantu

August 28, 2012

20

Corunna, Michigan,

Company B, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team

Died of wounds suffered when he was hit by shrapnel in Charkh, Afghanistan.



Navy Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Benjamin P. Castiglione

21

Howell, Michigan

2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force

Died September 3, 2009 while supporting combat operations in Qal Yeh Now, Afghanistan



Sgt. 1st Class Michael Anthony Cathcart  
November 14, 2014  
31  
Bay City, Michigan  
Company A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Special Forces Group  
Died while on combat operations in Kunduz province, Afghanistan



Spc. Chazray Cleaantoin Clark  
Ecorse, Michigan  
24  
B Troop, 4th Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry  
Division  
Died of injuries suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in the  
Zhari district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on September 18, 2011



Lance Cpl .Dominic John Ciaramitaro  
19  
South Lyon, Michigan  
3rd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force  
One of two Marines killed while conducting combat operations in Helmand province,  
Afghanistan, on April 23, 2011



Staff Sgt. David Pirie Day  
26  
Gaylord, Michigan  
2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment  
Died of wounds received in a roadside bomb attack during combat operations in Badghis  
province, Afghanistan, on April 24, 2011



Cpl. Daane Adam Deboer

June 25, 2010

24

Ludington, Michigan

1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died following a roadside bomb attack in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on June 25,  
2010



Sgt. Jeremy E. DePottey

26

Company A, 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th  
Mountain Division  
Ironwood, Michigan

Died of injuries suffered in a single vehicle accident in Asadabad, Afghanistan, on  
September 11, 2006. The incident is under investigation.



Pfc. Jackie Lee Diener II

20

Boyne City, Michigan

B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th  
Mountain Division

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire in  
Mandozai, Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on November 21, 2011



Lance Cpl. Anthony Attilio Dilisio

20

Macomb, Michigan

1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on May 30,  
2010



Sgt. Daniel Alexander Frazier

25

Saint Joseph, Michigan

Company E, 782nd Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division

One of two soldiers killed when a suicide car-bomber attacked their unit outside Forward Operating Base Shajoy in Zabul province, Afghanistan, on November 19, 2009



Chief Petty Officer Jason Richard Freiwald

30

Naval Special Warfare Development Group  
Armada, Michigan

Died on September 12, 2008, from injuries sustained during combat operations in Afghanistan on September 11, 2008



Sgt. Dillon Black Foxx

22

Traverse City, Michigan

Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division

Died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in Bala Murghab, Badghis province, Afghanistan, on February 5, 2010



1st Lt. Joel Christopher Gentz

25

Grass Lake, Michigan

58th Rescue Squadron, 563rd Rescue Group, 23rd Wing

One of four airmen killed when their HH-60G Pave Hawk rescue helicopter was shot down near Forward Operating Base Jackson in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on June 9, 2010



Pfc. Jordan E. Goode  
21

4th Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne  
Division  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Died of wounds suffered when a homemade bomb exploded in Zormont, Afghanistan, on  
August 11, 2007



Sgt. Kristopher J. Gould  
25

Saginaw, Michigan

2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division  
Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in  
Ghazni province, Afghanistan, on February 27, 2011



Spc. Christopher T. Griffin  
24

3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division  
Kincheloe, Michigan

One of eight soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their contingency outpost with  
small arms, rocket-propelled grenade and indirect fires in Kamdesh, Afghanistan, on  
October 3, 2009



Sgt. Justin Michael Hansen  
July 24, 2012  
26

Traverse City, Michigan

Marine Special Operations Team 8231, 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine  
Special Operations Regiment  
Died while conducting combat operations in Badghis province, Afghanistan.



Pfc. Eric William Hario

19

Monroe, Michigan

Company A, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

Died at a combat support hospital of wounds received during a Ranger task force attack on an enemy command and control node and logistics base in a rugged, remote mountainous area in Paktika province, Afghanistan, on August 29, 2009



Sgt. 1st Class Matthew L. Hilton

37

425th Infantry Regiment, Michigan Army National Guard

Livonia, Michigan

One of three soldiers killed when their convoy encountered roadside bombs, small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades near Forward Operating Base Shank, Afghanistan, on June 26, 2008



Sgt. Michael Keith Ingram Jr.

April 17, 2010

23

Monroe, Michigan

Company C, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division

Died of wounds suffered when a roadside bomb detonated near his dismounted patrol in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on April 17, 2010



Sgt. 1st Class Mark Wayne Jackson

40

Company A, 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne)

Glennie, Michigan

Killed in an explosion at an open-air market outside the gate of Camp Enrile Malagutay, in Zamboanga, Philippines, on October 2, 2002



Spc. Joseph Dennis Johnson

June 16, 2010

24

Flint, Michigan

161st Engineer Support Company, 27th Engineer Battalion, 20th Engineer Brigade  
One of two soldiers killed when insurgents attacked their unit with a roadside bomb at  
North Kunduz, Afghanistan, on June 16, 2010



Master Sgt. Gregory T. Kuhse

38

Kalamazoo, Michigan

3rd Manpower Requirements Squadron, USAF

Died Oct. 11 at Camp Resolute Support, Kabul, Afghanistan, in the non-hostile crash of  
a British Puma Mk2 helicopter in Operation Freedom's Sentinel



1st Lt. Todd William Lambka

August 1, 2012

25

Fraser, Michigan

Company D, 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat  
Team, 1st Infantry Division

One of two soldiers killed by a roadside bomb in the Bermel district of Paktika province,  
Afghanistan.



Pfc. Joseph M. Lancour

21

2nd Battalion, 503rd Airborne Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team  
Swartz Creek, Michigan  
One of five soldiers killed when their patrol was attacked by direct fire from enemy forces  
in Aranus, Afghanistan, on November 9, 2007.





Staff Sgt. Matthew John Leach

June 26, 2012

29

Ferndale, Michigan

Company B, 1st Battalion, 334th Regiment, 1st Brigade, 104th Training Division, Army Reserve

Died after he was found unresponsive in his living quarters at Kandahar Airfield in Kandahar, Afghanistan.



Sgt. Joseph Michael Lilly

June 14, 2012

25

Flint, Michigan

18th Engineer Company, 1st Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in the Panjwayi district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan.



Senior Chief Petty Officer John Wayne Marcum

34

Naval Special Warfare Development Group

Flushing, Michigan

Died September 12, 2008, from injuries sustained during combat operations in Afghanistan on September 11, 2008



Sgt. Anthony Dennis Matteoni

October 1, 2010

22

Union City, Michigan

2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on October  
1, 2010



Sgt. Kyle Brenton McClain

August 1, 2012

25

Rochester Hills, Michigan

1433rd Engineer Company, 507th Engineer Battalion, 177th Military Police  
Brigade, Michigan Army National Guard

Died following an improvised explosive device attack in Salim Aka, Kandahar province,  
Afghanistan.



Cpl. Paul James Miller

22

Traverse City, Michigan

3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died following a roadside bomb attack in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on July 19,  
2010



Pfc. Joseph A. Miracle

22

2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade  
Ortonville, Michigan

One of two soldiers killed due to enemy small-arms fire and indirect fire in the Watapor  
Valley of Kunar Province, Afghanistan on July 5, 2007



Sgt. Andrew Cote Nicol

23

Eaton, Michigan

Company B, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

One of two soldiers killed when a roadside bomb detonated while their unit was attacking a heavily defended bunker system in the Zhari district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on August 8, 2010



Chief Petty Officer Nicholas Heath Null

34

Detroit, Michigan

Naval Special Warfare Development Group

One of 22 Navy SEALs killed along with five soldiers and three airmen when their CH-47 Chinook helicopter was shot down while flying to assist a unit of the 75th Ranger Regiment that was pinned down by enemy fire in the Tangi Valley, Sayyidabad district, Wardak province, Afghanistan, on August 6, 2011.



Senior Airman Jason Plite

21

38th Rescue Squadron, 347th Rescue Wing

Lansing, Michigan

Killed along with five other Air Force rescue team members when their HH-60 Pave Hawk helicopter crashed while on the way to help two injured Afghan children on March 23, 2003



Spc. Joseph Thomas Prentler

October 4, 2010

20

Fenwick, Michigan

G Troop, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his military vehicle using a roadside bomb in Mama Kariz in the Maywand district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on October 4, 2010



Gunnery Sgt. Daniel Joseph Price

July 29, 2012

27

Holland, Michigan

1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment

One of two Marines killed while conducting combat operations in Badghis province, Afghanistan.



Spc. Bradley David Rappuhn

August 8, 2010

24

Grand Ledge, Michigan

Company B, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

One of two soldiers killed when a roadside bomb detonated while their unit was attacking a heavily defended bunker system in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on August 8, 2010



Seaman Benjamin David Rast  
Niles, Michigan

23

Navy corpsman assigned to the 1st Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment, 4th Marine  
Division, Marine Forces Reserve

Killed along with a Marine in a friendly fire incident, possibly by a missile fired from a  
U.S. military drone, during a dismounted patrol northeast of Patrol Base Alcatraz in  
Helmand province, Afghanistan, on April 6, 2011



Pfc. Shane Michael Reifert

23

Cottrellville, Michigan

Company B, 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st  
Airborne Division

Died at Combat Outpost Able Main of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit  
with small-arms fire in the Pech River Valley of Kunar province, Afghanistan, on  
November 6, 2010



Pfc. Antione V. Robinson

20

782nd Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division  
Detroit, Michigan

Died of injuries sustained when the vehicle he was repairing collapsed in Nawa,  
Afghanistan, on March 19, 2008



Navy Senior Chief Special Warfare Operator (SEAL) Heath M. Robinson  
34

Detroit, Michigan

Assigned to an East Coast-based SEAL team

Died August 6, 2011 in Wardak province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when the CH-47 Chinook helicopter in which he was riding was shot down.



Staff Sgt. Kristopher D. Rodgers  
29

1st Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division  
Sturgis, Michigan

Killed when a roadside bomb exploded near his vehicle in Korengal, Afghanistan, on August 16, 2008



Sgt. 1st Class Gregory Allen Rodriguez  
35

Weidman, Michigan

K-9 unit of the 527th Military Police Company, 709th Military Police Battalion, 18th MP  
Brigade

Died of wounds suffered when his mounted patrol came under small arms fire in Ana Kalay, Afghanistan, on September 2, 2008



Cpl. Nicholas R. Roush  
22

Company B, 1st Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th Psychological Operations  
Group

Middleville, Michigan

Died of wounds suffered when a roadside bomb detonated near his vehicle in Herat, Afghanistan, on August 16, 2009



Captain Drew Edward Russell  
Scotts, Michigan

25

Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd  
Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division

One of two soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a rocket-propelled  
grenade in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on October 8, 2011



Staff Sergeant Mark Henry Schoonhoven  
Plainwell, Michigan

38

32nd Transportation Company, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division

Died on January 20, 2013, at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas  
from wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with a roadside bomb in  
Kabul, Afghanistan on December 15, 2012



Tech. Sgt. Matthew Scott Schwartz  
Traverse City, Michigan

34

90th Civil Engineer Squadron, 90th Mission Support Group, 90th Missile Wing

One of three explosive ordnance disposal airmen killed when their vehicle was struck by  
a roadside bomb in Shir Ghazay, Helmand province, Afghanistan, on January 5, 2012



Maj. Douglas Emory Sloan

40

Charlevoix, Michigan

Company B, 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division

One of three soldiers killed when a roadside bomb exploded near their vehicle in Wygal Valley, Afghanistan, on October 31, 2006



Spc. Deangelo Barnell Snow

September 17, 2010

22

Saginaw, Michigan

Company D, 526th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division

Died of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his vehicle with a rocket-propelled grenade in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, on September 17, 2010



Staff Sgt. Nicholas Adam Sprovtsoff

Davison, Michigan

28

1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, Marine Special Operations Regiment

One of two Marines killed while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on September 28, 2011





Cpl. Jeffrey Robert Standfest

June 16, 2010

23

St. Clair, Michigan

3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died of wounds sustained when a roadside bomb detonated during combat operations in  
Helmand province, Afghanistan, on June 16, 2010



Spc. Brandon Keith Steffey

23

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

178th Military Police Detachment, 89th Military Police Brigade

Steffey died of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with a roadside  
bomb in Laghman province, Afghanistan, on October 25, 2009. Steffey was a military  
dog handler and his dog Maci also was killed in the attack.



Lance Cpl. Steven Prince Stevens II

23

Detroit, MI

1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force

Killed in action during an operation in the Sangin Valley of Helmand province,  
Afghanistan, on June 22, 2012



Army Staff Sgt. Brian E. Studer

28

Ramsey, Michigan

720th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company, 28th Transportation Battalion, 18th  
Military Police Brigade

Died August 22, 2008 in Ghazni, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when the improvised  
explosive device he was attempting to deactivate detonated.



Staff Sgt. Joshua Adam Throckmorton  
28

Battle Creek, Michigan  
527th Military Police Company, 709th Military Police Battalion, 18th Military Police  
Brigade

One of three soldiers killed when enemy forces attacked their unit with a roadside bomb  
in Paktia province, Afghanistan, on July 5, 2011



Petty Officer First Class Ross L. Toles III  
37

Provincial Reconstruction Team Sharana  
Davison, Michigan

One of two sailors killed by an enemy rocket attack in northern Paktika province,  
Afghanistan, on June 18, 2008



Cpl. Jacob Henry Turbett  
February 13, 2010  
21

Canton, Michigan, USA

2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died while supporting combat operations in Marjah, Helmand province, Afghanistan, on  
February 13, 2010



Navy Hospitalman Aaron D. Ullom  
20

Midland, Michigan

3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force  
Died in the Now Zad district of Afghanistan while conducting a dismounted patrol



Spc. Joseph Andrew VanDreumel  
Grand Rapids, Michigan  
32

Company A, 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 172nd Infantry Brigade  
One of two soldiers killed when they encountered a secondary explosion while  
dismounted during a vehicle recovery operation in the Yahya Khel district of Paktika  
province, Afghanistan, on August 14, 2011



Spc. Robert Lee Voakes Jr.  
L'Anse, Michigan  
21

164th Military Police Company, 793rd Military Police Battalion, 3rd Maneuver  
Enhancement Brigade  
One of four soldiers killed when their mounted patrol was attacked with a roadside bomb  
in Laghman province, Afghanistan, on June 4, 2011



Tech. Sgt. Howard A. Walters  
33

20th Special Operations Squadron, 16th Special Operations Wing  
Port Huron, Michigan  
Killed in the accidental crash of a MH-53M Pave Low helicopter in Afghanistan on  
November 23, 2003



Petty Officer 2nd Class David John Warsen  
August 16, 2012  
27

Kentwood, Michigan  
SEAL Team Three, Naval Special Warfare Group One  
Warsen was one of three sailors killed along with four soldiers when their UH-60 Black  
Hawk helicopter crashed in the Chinartu area of the Shah Wali Kot district in  
northeastern Kandahar province, Afghanistan.