



Antonio Stiggins

July 3, 1985 - April 22, 2011

Pvt. First Class Antonio G. Stiggins supported Operation New Dawn when he died April 22, 2011, from injuries sustained in an IED blast while in an engagement with insurgents in Numaniyah, Iraq. He was assigned to F Troop, 2nd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ft. Hood, Texas. He was born in Roswell, New Mexico, and had enlisted in Rio Rancho, NM, his residence at that time, in January of 2010. Stiggins received his Basic Training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky as a Cavalry Scout. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (posthumous), Purple Heart (posthumous), Army Good Conduct Medal (posthumous), National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal with bronze star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Combat Action Badge, and Expert Marksmanship (Rifle). The funeral service is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 2 PM. The memorial services will be held at Christ Church, 2200 N. Sycamore, Roswell, NM, with military graveside services to follow at South Park Cemetery where his family will be presented the Blue to Gold Star Banner and a memorial Bible from the Veterans of Foreign Wars. A dinner for family and friends is being held at the Roswell Civic Center following the services. Stiggins was born on July 3, 1985, to Angel and Luke Stiggins in Roswell, NM, Those left behind to cherish his memory are his parents, Angel Mayes and husband, Don and Luke Stiggins and wife, Debra Cole-Stiggins; uncles Jim Weiss and wife Christi, Dirk Stiggins and wife Susan, Mark Stiggins and wife Peggy; step-brothers Chance Blackwell and Chris Chavez,

step-sister Mariah Chavez; grandfather Robert Whiteis; and cousins Barbara and Tom Gregga; and numerous cousins and extended family. Stiggins was preceded in death by his grandparents Clementine Whiteis, Alvera Joseph and Katherine Stiggins; great-grand parents Antonio Chariantano and wife Angela Salazzo Chariantano; Uncle Frank Chariantano and wife Colleen. The families' wish to extend their gratitude and sincerest thanks for the support of the United States Army, the Patriot Riders, family and friends, and the Roswell Community for their generous out pour of love and support during our time of sorrow and mourning. In lieu of flowers, the families wish to request that memorial donations be sent to the Wounded Warriors Project, the Fisher House Project, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Blue to Gold Star Foundation and the American USO. Information for these organizations may be obtained through Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory, Please take a moment to share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com,

Funeral arrangements provided by Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory of Roswell, NM.

in lieu of flowers and in honor of Antonio G. Stiggins, please donate to the: Wounded Warriors Project, WWP National Processing Center, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS, 6675-8516, or call 904-296-7350, checks should be made payable to "Wounded Warrior Project", or go to woundedwarriorproject.com.

Fisher House Foundation, <http://www.fisherhouse.org>

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Roswell Chapter, Ph. 575-623.6831

Tribute Wall



“ Antonio Stiggins

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. May "the God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) comfort and soothe your heart. His promises, found in the Holy Scriptures, can offer much hope. It assures us at John 5:28,29 that our loved ones will be remembered and brought back to life in the resurrection. Please allow God's Word to strengthen you and help you to endure this most difficult time.

G.Ford - October 08, 2012 at 02:51 PM



“ Angel and family Returned from trip to learn of the loss of your beloved son and brother, Antonio. Although I did not know Antonio personally, just want you to know my thoughts are with Antonio, you, your family and friends during this time of bereivement. Please remember all of the cherished thoughts and memories of Antonio as a member of your family. Those memories should provide comfort as they will always be a moment of joy as only a mother and family will know.

With kind regards and deepest sympathies, Respectfully Tom Jennings

I know while he was as he was an

Tom Jennings - May 10, 2011 at 05:16 PM

DT

“ Dear Luke and Family,
I know there are no words that can ease your pain...I wish I could think of something to say that would help...Please know that I am so saddened and so sorry for the loss of your precious and brave son. Thank-you so much for raising such a wonderful human being...that he would want to go to a faraway dangerous place and fight, so that we can live here in America with all of our freedoms. I realize that your life and the life of your family will forever be changed...but I pray that GOD will ease your pain, heal your heart, and help you to find peace in the difficult days ahead. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers...
With Deepest Sympathy
Dorothy Tarter

Dorothy Tarter - May 08, 2011 at 03:36 PM

SB

“ Luke and Family,
I am so sorry to hear of the death of your son, Antonio. My deepest sympathies to you and your family in this very tough time.
Suzanne

Suzanne Berry - May 06, 2011 at 03:04 PM

GB

“ God Bless You Hero...

Geneva Brumlow - May 06, 2011 at 01:13 PM

LT

“ Luke and families, We are so saddened that you all have to endure such a great loss. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with you. Thank you for raising such a Hero as Antonio that he would be willing to make the greatest sacrifice for our freedom. We love you all and pray that God wraps His loving arms around all of you and gives you the comfort you need. The Taylors, Mike, Lori, Courtney, Chase & Seth

Lori Taylor - May 06, 2011 at 11:42 AM

TK

“ Angel, we were so saddened to hear about your son. I can't imagine what you and your family are going thru. I remember seeing him one evening over at the Elks Lodge talking to your mother. He was really taking care of her and giving her all the attention. I thought to myself what a nice young man. He is with your mom now. We were out of town yesterday or we would have been there. Again, we are so sorry.

Tim and Janet Kreager - May 06, 2011 at 11:22 AM

BS

“ TO PFC. ANTONIO STIGGINS'FAMILY, MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO ANTONIO'S FAMILY AND LOVED ONES. HE DIED TO HELP RID OUR WORLD OF THE DARK EVIL WE ARE FACED WITH. HE IS NOW SAFE WITH GOD AND WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED NOT JUST AS A HERO FOR AMERICA, BUT FOR THE WORLD. MAY GOD GIVE YOU PEACE AND COMFORT IN YOUR SORROW. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU, THE GEORGE SIMS FAMILY BETTY SIMS SOLT

Betty Sims Solt - May 06, 2011 at 09:29 AM

LH

“ Angel, My sincere condolences to you and your family for the loss of your son. I know there are no words to comfort you at this time...but, know as a mother of two sons that served in the Iraq war, I pray God's peace on you and salute your son for his service to our country. Lisa Haskins-Barrera

Lisa Haskins-Barrera - May 05, 2011 at 10:17 PM

LI

“ Rest in Peace. May God be with the Family.

Liz - May 05, 2011 at 04:53 PM

CN

“ Angel, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Carolyn Pollard Noling - May 05, 2011 at 04:30 PM

LJ

“ The City of Roswell shares in your loss and prays for your peace and comfort in the coming days. We are grateful for your son's service and sacrifice for our great country.

Laurie Jerge - May 05, 2011 at 03:20 PM

KS

“ It is with a very heavy heart I write this today. I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved son. Our son, Sgt Christopher Sanders (RIP) played baseball with him and we have fond memories of what a nice and considerate young man he was. It does not surprise me at all that he chose to join our US Military. Kelly and I understand the pain you are now suffering. We wish that on noone. Please know that your son will not be forgotten and will always be remembered as we grieve our son and all the rest of our "God's Army" every day. Please feel free to contact me at anytime. The comfort of other parents that "understand" was vital in my grief. This is your journey. Let no one tell you how to grieve or how long to grieve. With Peace and Love during this difficult time. Kelly and Marie Sanders. Proud Parents of Sgt Christopher Sanders (RIP) 3/2 SCR Recon PLT KIA 1-9-08 Sinsil, Iraq

Kelly and Marie Sanders - May 05, 2011 at 02:22 PM

JA

“ Please accept our sympathy from a military family such as ours. Your son is a hero. That is of little solace for a grieving family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and know we are always there for you.
Sincerely, Jena and Maret Amaral
A contribution to Wounded Warriors will be made in your son's name.

Jena S. Amaral - May 05, 2011 at 12:48 PM

PC

“ Luke and Family, My family and I extend our sympathy in the loss of your wonderful son, Antonio. He is a true "Hero". Our prayers and thoughts are with you each day. We know it is a difficult time of separation from him as he continues his journey. Pam Coon

Pamela Coon - May 05, 2011 at 11:05 AM

LC

“ Luke & Debbie, Ben and I offer our prayers to you at this time. Our hearts ache for you...memories will help you cope.
Aunt Linda & Uncle Ben

Linda Cole - May 05, 2011 at 10:17 AM

SW

“ Luke and Debbie... Words can't explain the sadness felt when I heard of Tony's passing. I remember the shy 3rd grader in my class who was always willing to take care of the fish tank. What a special young man! My heart and prayers are with you. You are loved.

Suzie Waldrip - May 04, 2011 at 11:52 PM

MP

“ I met Anthony in 2009 while he was attending West Mesa Christian Church in Albuquerque. I would like to express my sympathy to the family for their loss.
I am grateful to Anthony for his service to our country but am so sorry that he had to give his life.
May God bless all of you at this tragic loss.

MaryAnn Perkins - May 04, 2011 at 10:34 PM

MB

“ My husband and I was send our deepest condolence's to Stiggys family. We are so sorry for your lose. We knew him from LC as friends and neighbors. We never forgot our memories and time we had with him, nor forgot his laugh. Stiggy you are you will be truly missed!! Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Mickey and Tiffany Beilman - May 04, 2011 at 08:11 PM

MB

“ Antonio Stiggins

Mickey and Tiffany Beilman - May 04, 2011 at 08:06 PM

TS

“ I would like to send my sincere condolences to the family of Antonio Stiggins. My heart is so saddened by your loss. Your son & brother made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can enjoy the many freedoms of America. May God Bless You, Keep You and Give you Peace at this sad time for your family. I will continue to lift your family and friends in prayer.
Proud to be an American.

Tracy Schulz - May 04, 2011 at 04:13 PM

JC

“ Angel and family, I am deeply saddened by your great loss, I feel your pain. Don't think of Antonio as gone away , just think of him as living in the hearts of those he touched...for nothing loved is ever lost, and he was loved so much. He is in a better place of warmth and comfort now. Always in my prayers, God bless!

Joseph R. Castillo - May 04, 2011 at 10:37 AM

PK

“ Tony was a wonderful young man. He will be sorely missed. I'm sorry I couldn't make the trip, but you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

P Kay - May 04, 2011 at 09:48 AM

JH

“ Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you, Luke and Angel. Thank you for allowing your son to fight for the freedom of our country. Thank you too, Tony.
Jim and Edie Hughes

JIM and EDIE HUGHES - May 03, 2011 at 12:20 PM

JU

“ Please accept my humble condolences. I did not know PFC Stiggins, but his death and the death of his 1st Lt. Omar Vasquez, really hit home with me. They both paid the ultimate sacrifice so that all Americans enjoy the freedom that we have.

Jay Ulary - May 03, 2011 at 10:35 AM

EG

“ My deepest condolences to all of Anthony's family, I got to know him in college during our time in class. I remember him always being in great spirits and putting everyone around him in the same mindset. Words cannot express the sadness of his passing, but take comfort in knowing that he is with God. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, he will be greatly missed.

Erik Gamboa - May 03, 2011 at 10:32 AM

MF

“ Angel, We are sorry to hear of your loss. May God grant you and your Family strength through this hard time. We are very grateful to all the men and women who sacrificed their lives so that we may have the Freedom we have today. God Bless You!

Marcos and Stephanie Molinar & Family - May 03, 2011 at 09:45 AM

RR

“ Dear Luke and your entire family, Ellie and I are so sorry for the loss of Tony. We know that you must have been so proud that he served our nation with such dignity and honor. Our hearts go out to all of you during this sad and difficult time. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Rhonda Robinson - May 02, 2011 at 11:43 PM

SW

“ Angel I'm so sorry you have to go through this. I know your pain. Everyone will tell you time will help and it does but this is something you will never get over. You will never be the same again but you must stay strong because you have family and friends that are still here that loves you and will help you through this. Someday we will see our kids again but meantime remember they are still with us. We may not see them but we can still talk to them and think of them and let them know how much we love them. I can't be there on Thursday but I will be thinking of you and will have a moment of silence for your son. Again I'm sorry. Take care of yourself.

Sharlett Williams - May 02, 2011 at 08:22 PM

RS

“ May the memory of Tony Stiggins be for a blessing. Amen

Roger E. Smith - May 02, 2011 at 02:29 PM

LF

“ Luke, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time. We wish we had the words to make this time of mourning better. Take care and God bless you and your family

Leonard and Dolores Flores - May 02, 2011 at 11:14 AM

JD

“ Our deepest sympathy to Luke, Angel and their families, we know Antonio is in heaven with our Lord and is once again telling you not to worry he's marching in God's army. He was such a sweet, amazing, humble young man. We are all so proud of him.

Janice and Clint Dupree - May 02, 2011 at 11:11 AM

SM

“ We are deeply saddened by your loss. We will be here if you need someone to talk to.

Sharetta (Smith) Miller - May 02, 2011 at 10:54 AM

FL

“ Dear, sweet Tony. I loved him and am so proud of him. My heart hurts for you. I will never forget him. He was a good kid.
Frankie Lacer His first grade teacher

Frankie Lacer - May 02, 2011 at 10:41 AM

EC

“ To Luke and all the family and friends left to remember your son, Antonio. Words sometimes are hard to come by. We are so sad to hear of your son's death and we know that he must have been a great man. We hope you know how much you mean to so many people in Roswell...you have touched our lives deeply with your gentle spirit. May God's love carry you through your days. Eddy, Laura, Cody, Nigal and Tony Carpenter

Ed and Laura Carpenter - May 01, 2011 at 09:21 PM

SC

“ Dear Luke and Debra, I know your hearts are aching. Tony was such a well mannered young man. I am grateful I had the opportunity to meet him as he was growing up. I wish I could find the words to comfort you during this very difficult and sad time. My deepest condolences and prayers go to you and your family. Tony was a hero in all ways and I am proud to say I knew him. Sue Ann

Sue Ann Carpenter - May 01, 2011 at 05:54 PM

EP

“ If we die before Jehovah brings an end to this wicked system, we have the sure hope of a "Better resurrection," better in the sense that it is one with everlasting life in view. Jesus promised: "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out."(John 5:28,29)
Please accept my condolences
Emma Perez

Emma Perez - May 01, 2011 at 02:46 PM

PH

“ May God supply the grace for this entire family to encourage them during this trying time. We praise God for this life which was given in support of this nation to keep us all safe from harm. God be with you all.

Pastor Dan & Paula Holt - May 01, 2011 at 11:21 AM

KD

“ Words could never express the sorrow and pain I feel in my heart at a time like this. I am so very sorry for you and the loss you have are experiencing.

The heart remembers most what it has loved best. May memories of your beloved son, Tony bring comfort to you and bring you peace during this very difficult time.

The Lord is near to those who are broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” Psalm 34:18

My deepest sympathy and condolences.

Kathe

Kathe Determan - May 01, 2011 at 11:02 AM

LS

“ My heartfelt wishes go out to you and your family for the loss of your son, Antonio. God has prepared Antonio's new home by his side. He is watching over you now. Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss.

Leslie Schroeder - May 01, 2011 at 10:37 AM

SR

“ As a veteran of Iraq it's a sad time for you and I have never met him but he is a brother in my heart and a hero to our country. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all.

SPB Shaun Blosser US Army retired - May 01, 2011 at 09:38 AM

BC

“ I am so very sorry Angel, Luke and family. I have very fond memories of Tony and I as kids. I am very proud of him and the service he gave us. I am very honored to have been able to help escort him in today.

Bonnie Cannon - April 30, 2011 at 09:17 PM

CH

“ *Our heartfelt sympathy to the Stiggins family. Tony's sacrifice to preserve our freedoms is noble and tragic.
Resting where no shadows fall, In peaceful sleep he awaits us all;
God will link the broken chain, When one by one we meet again.
With caring & concern, Carman & Jan (Ryman) Harriman*

Carman & Jan (Ryman) Harriman - April 30, 2011 at 08:29 PM