



## Fallen Hero

### SFC Jared C. Monti, MOH

SFC Jared C. Monti was born on September 20, 1975. He was a native of Raynham, Massachusetts. SFC Monti enlisted in the United States Army in March 1993. He attended Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, OK, earning his Military Occupational Specialty of 13F (Forward Observer), he is a graduate of Joint Firepower Controller Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Warrior Leader Course, Airborne, and Air Assault. SFC Monti was assigned as a Targeting NCO in Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 71<sup>st</sup> Cavalry, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (Light Infantry).

SFC Monti deployed to Afghanistan with Task Force Spartan in February 2006. He was an outstanding leader and well-respected NCO who constantly motivated his Soldiers and ensured that his unit was always ready to fight and win. His career culminated with Task Force Spartan while conducting combat operations in the mountains near Gowardesh, Afghanistan. His recon team occupied a surveillance position when, on the afternoon of June 21, 2006, they were attacked by a large enemy force. SFC Monti was killed in action by enemy fire in the subsequent engagement when—without hesitation or concern for himself—he rushed under heavy enemy fire to assist two of his wounded comrades who had become separated in the fight.

His awards include: **Medal of Honor**, Bronze Star Medal (1OLC), **Purple Heart**, Army Commendation Medal (4OLC), **Army Achievement Medal (3OLC)**, Good Conduct Medal (2), **National Defense Service Medal (2)**, Korean Defense Service Medal (2), **Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (2)**, Kosovo Campaign Medal (2), **Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon**, **Army Service Ribbon**, Overseas Service Ribbon, **NATO Medal**, Afghan Campaign Medal, **Global War on Terrorism Service Medal**, Parachutist Badge, and **Air Assault Badge**.

SFC Jared C. Monti was a graduate of Bridgewater-Raynham High School Class of 1994.

SFC Jared C. Monti is buried at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

For this reason, it is appropriate that his FALLEN HERO sign be erected on Orchard Street, at the highly visible intersection with South Main Street.