

LANCE CORPORAL JAMES ERIC SWAIN

Aug. 17, 1984 - Nov. 15, 2004

Lance Corporal James Eric Swain, 20, Kokomo, was killed approximately 10:30 Monday, Nov. 15, 2004 in Iraq's Al Anbar Province as a result of small arms fire in Fallujah, Iraq. He was born Aug. 17, 1984, in Fulda Hesse, Germany, a son of Daniel E. and Mona R. (Warner) Swain. Both survive.

He was a 2002 graduate with honors of Kokomo High School and was a member of the National Honor Society. He was a lance corporal in the U.S. Marines serving a tour of duty in Fallujah, Iraq. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Kokomo, and was very active in Drama Club at Kokomo High School. He served as a statistician for the girls' basketball team. He was community minded and involved in many church and community projects.

Surviving with his parents are a brother, Benjamin Swain, Kokomo; two sisters, Mariann Swain and Melissa Swain, both of Kokomo; his maternal grandparents, Michael and Joann Warner, Kokomo; paternal grandparents, C. Edward and Maribeth Swain, Kokomo; his great-grandmother, Thelma Bowman, Kokomo; a special niece, Carina E. Mims, Kokomo; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Private services were held Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004. Burial was in Galveston Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the James Swain Memorial Scholarship Fund. Checks may be written to the Kokomo High School Activities fund and James Swain Memorial Scholarship should be written on the memo line of the check and sent to Mary Dowden, Treasurer, Kokomo High School, 2501 S. Berkley Road, Kokomo, IN 46902.

Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston, assisted the family with arrangements.

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