

# Fallen Heroes of Operation Iraqi Freedom

Remembering the servicemembers who died in the service of their country.

## Marine Cpl. Tyler R. Fey

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22, of Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

Fey died due to injuries received from hostile fire in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. He was assigned to 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, California. Died on April 4, 2004.

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"I'll miss you buddy. Look out for the others from above.."  
Doc Hut of Atsugi, Japan

"Remembering the Heros who answered the call without questioning what we should have."  
anonymous of USA

"To the Fey family,  
My husband (Sgt. Tommy Langlais) served with Tyler. He considered him his best friend over in Iraq. Not a day goes by when my husband doesn't think of him. I just wanted you to know what an impact he made on our family. I want you to know that our nephew was named Tyler after your son. We all hope he will be half the man your son was. He is missed and loved. You all will forever be in our thoughts and prayers.  
Sincerely, Karen Langlais"  
Karen Langlais of Trenton, MI

"There are no words to compose how much you mean to me but I will. I have always been a better person around you and now that you are

looking down upon us, I know that you will always keep me in my place!  
Thanks for always being there. To a soldier, a friend and a hero, I miss  
you. Rest in Peace"

Jeff Lahr of Eden Prairie

"Mr and Mrs Fey,

First, I need to say that I am very sorry for your loss of a son. I have a  
son about the same age and I can't fathom how it would feel to lose  
him.

I recently toured the War Memorials in Washington DC and I took two  
pictures of a bronze frieze of a fallen soldier. I believe he was from Eden  
Prairie and Tyler is the only casualty that I have been able to find via  
web searches whose hometown was Eden Prairie. When I took the  
pictures, the name of the soldier on a plate below the frieze was  
obscured by sunlight or flash and I have no other record of who it was.

If you would like to review these photos to see if this is your son, please  
contact me at 612.281.5940. I would be honored to share them with  
you.

Al

7/12/05"

Al Lawson of St Paul MN

"To the family of Tyler R. Fey, I never met the young man, have never  
been to Minnesota, & have never been a Marine. I felt inclined to donate  
to the Herobracelets fund with all that is going on in the world and after  
an old friend was killed in Iraq. In return I received several bracelets and  
the one I chose was Tylers. I did some research and read up on what a  
standup sort of guy, son, and friend he was. At only 22 years young he  
touched a lot of people and had so much ahead of him. I am saddened  
for your loss and now face the reality of this war myself. My baby  
brother is soon to be heading to Iraq via Camp Pendleton with a Marine  
Corp Regiment. I pray for his safety and his family's safety while he is  
away. God Bless the United States Marine Corp."

Mike Masaitis of Mt. Dora, Florida

"To the family of Tyler R. Fey:

The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation will be honoring your  
loved one at the non-denominational Memorial Day Sunday worship  
service at 11:00 a.m. on 29 May. We will remember the casualties of  
the Global War on Terrorism from Minnesota ... and the neighboring  
states of Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Outside of  
the historic Fort Snelling Veterans Memorial Chapel will be a "Memorial  
Garden" filled with white crosses bearing the names of the war dead ...  
including your loved one.

I would like to extend to your family an invitation to honor us with your  
presence at worship as we pay tribute to the sacrifice made by your  
service member and family. Our pastor, U.S. Army Chaplain, LTC  
Kenneth L. Beale, Jr. will preach a message entitled "Remembering Our

Freedom." A former Soldier and country music songwriter and performer "Rockie" will pay a special musical tribute. At the conclusion of the worship hour, all of the congregation will be invited to silently pay their respects at the garden and place poppies at each of the crosses. An honor guard squad will be on hand to fire volleys as the US flag is lowered to half-staff and Taps is played.

As this Christian worship service has traditionally been well attended, we would be happy to reserve seating for you and yours. To do so, kindly call (612/970-7866) and leave a voice message indicating your veterans' name and the number of persons attending. If you are not able to attend, we pray that you would find comfort in knowing that our prayers are with you and all of the fallen heroes.

Respectfully,  
Leila Campbell  
Administrative Assistant  
Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation  
email:info@fortsnellingmcf.org  
web site:www.fortsnellingmcf.org"

"Thank You for everything..."  
ADM of Virginia Beach

"A day didn't go by that Tyler didn't pass me in the hall of AHA and smile and say hello. It always makes a teacher's day when a student notices. Thanks Tyler for then and for now. Be at peace and smile down on us."  
Gregg Sawyer of St. Paul, Mn

"Thank you Tyler for so proudly defending the freedoms that we all cherish. To your family, your brave marine will be remembered each day we raise our flag in the front yard. Semper Fi Marine. From a very grateful American family."  
The Shaw family of Pasadena, Maryland

"Tyler,

Never did I think I would be writing this. I remember the last time I saw you. You had just returned from the six month pump with Tim. We hung out in Anaheim, and drank beer in the barracks. I didn't think that would be the last time I would ever see you. I think of you often, and I picture you standing post beside the big guy himself, allowing no one to pass without his authority.

I'll get some for you shortly buddy.

-D."

"RIP Marine"  
Petty Officer Cawthon of RTC Great Lakes, IL

"Corporal Fey, goodbye soldier and thank you. You are my hero."  
Bill of Houston, Texas

"I was in Army Basic Training when I found out - I am so sorry for your loss - I went to school with Tyler at Holy Angels - I wish you comfort and peace in your future."  
Rozlynn of Bloomington, MN

"Hi Tyler,

All your old cafe buddies will miss you and thank you for your bravery and dedication to our country. You will be remembered"  
Christina of Bloomington

""RIP Marine! You will never be forgotten, by your family, your friends, and even your extended Marine Corps Family. I decided to leave the Marines in 98' but even to this day when I hear that a Marine has past away to guard the gates of heaven, it's hard not to keep from weeping. I want to send my regards to you in your time of great loss. SEMPER FI!""  
Rick Rugless (rughopper@hotmail.com) of St Paul, MN

"To the family and friends of Corporal Tyler R. Fey,

Those we hold most dear, never truly leave us. May you find comfort in love's everlasting connection.

There are many loving and caring Americans from all over the United States that will never forget the sacrifice that your loved one has made for our Freedom. In the Support section of this web site you will find links to many groups that support you at this crucial time. The Marine Comfort Quilt group would be honored to send a quilt to the next of kin. Please register so we can send you our "Love Stitched Together."

Proud Member Of Marine Comfort Quilt group, and Proud Marine Mom"  
Sandra Moudy of Placentia, Ca USA

"We Will NEVER FORGET !"

Please KNOW so many people share your sadness, and we are remembering your family in your loss and your deep grief. Your HERO, **Tyler**, will be remembered by name. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless you. [Pat & Sandi Breckenridge from Montana](#) "

"I am a neighbor of Tyler and his family. I grew up just a few houses down and always had a wherabouts of what he was up to now etc. he was a great person and a good friend. after he transferred from ep to holy angels we didn't talk to to much but i always thought of him driving by when i was home visiting and i just want his family to know my heart and thoughts are with you."

Heather Stiles of Eden Prairie, MN

"My heart goes out to the family and friends of Tyler. I have never met him, but my husband is also a 22 year old marine fighting in Iraq right now. You have faced the worst news imaginable. You have my deepest sympathy and honor for surviving such a horrible event. Tyler was a great man and you should be very proud, he was a Marine, and from others words a wonderful friend. You are in my heart and my prayers during this time. I honor you for your courage during this, I do not know if I have it in me. Tyler will be in my heart forever, he would have stood up for my friends and family and they for him. He is a brother to all marines, and therefore touched the hearts and minds of the entire world. Be proud, and remember the good times. May God bless you and may our prayers and thoughts offer some type of condolence during this horrible time for you. With love, and many tears, Jessie"

Jessie of st. louis park, MN

"I found out about Tyler about a week ago. He was a good friend of my fiance. I had the great privilege of meeting him on a trip to California. He was such a wonderful man. From everyone that I talk to, they say he was the one of the nicest men they've ever met and I agree. I am so sorry for your loss. He touched my fiances life as well as mine. I will keep you in my prayers. God Bless you."

Jessica Lane of Joplin, MO

"To Tyler's Family:

Please accept our deepest sympathy for your loss. May God bless you all."

Dan and Meg Manninen of San Antonio, Texas

"On behalf of the Blanco-Caldas family, we send our sincere condolences to you. We share the same loss, the same pain. Our prayers go out to you and we thank you and your son for making the ultimate sacrifice.

Sincerely,

the Family of Capt. Ernesto Blanco-Caldas of San Antonio, TX  
KIA, Iraq 12/28/03"

Gloria Caldas of San Antonio, TX

"Rest in Peace Tufelhunden. Semper Fi  
The Taylors, USMC, NC"

"Portrait Freedom is a group of scroll saw artists who have united to honor every fallen soldier of Operation Freedom. We would like to make a custom wood portrait for the family of Cpl. Tyler R. Fey, free of charge. Our hope is that this small gift from the heart will be welcomed by the family as we stand with sympathy in the shadows of their sorrow. To learn more about this project and request a portrait, please visit the [Portrait Freedom website](#).

Gary Browning of Scroll Saw Portraits

"Thank you Tyler Fey, you will not be forgotten. Your bravery goes beyond words. I want to express my deepest gratitude for your sacrifice. To the family and friends, my prayers and deep condolences in your loss. May God strengthen you from knowing that fellow Americans and people around the world care about you and grieve with you in your loss. God bless you all. A very appreciative fellow American,"

Leo Titus of Grayslake, Illinois

"My name is Jan Lang and I am the founder of the Marine Comfort Quilts. Please accept my family's and our group's deepest sympathy on the loss of Tyler Fey. A quilt is being made for your family in honor of Tyler. While we started out as a group of Marine Moms, we are now a group of Military parents, Veterans, as well as the caring public, wanting to bring comfort to **all** of our Military families. Please go to [www.marinecomfortquilts.us](http://www.marinecomfortquilts.us) and register so that we may send this quilt to you."

Jan Lang of Valley Park, Missouri

"We would like to donate a canvas portrait to the family (first next of kin) of Cpl. Tyler Fey. Our portraits have been well received. I have been donating these portraits to Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom because they last forever and no one will be forgotten. You can see what our donation portraits look like at <http://lionheartcreations.net/honorfallen.htm>. The portrait includes an American flag in the background, an eagle, and a poem I wrote called Fallen, along with name, rank, and branch of service. We will ship the portrait to your home. This will cost you nothing. This is our way to serve and honor our fallen. Please let us serve you. You can email us to make arrangements for your portrait and this can all be done over the Internet or U.S. mail. Making the portraits takes only a day or so. Please see that the family gets this message. Our email address is on our website or you can email [carlosshelter@aol.com](mailto:carlosshelter@aol.com) Thank you and God bless"

Carlos, Kathy & Ashley Jones of Middletown, Ohio

"To the family and friends of Cpl. Tyler Fey:  
May God's grace be with you during your time of grief. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and we feel your loss and share in your sorrow. Bless Tyler for the sacrifice he has made to make a better life for the rest of us."

The Ford Family of Wells, Nevada

"To the family and friends of Cpl. Tyler Fey:  
I am saddened by the loss of your loved one. He will always be remembered as a hero for fighting for freedom. I hope that this website will be a source of comfort and encouragement for you during this difficult time, and in the future as you recall the memories of Tyler, who continues to live on in your heart."

Tim Rivera of Powder Springs, Georgia

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