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MARINE CORPORAL JACOB H. NEAL

Marine Corporal Jacob H. Neal, 23, passed away Friday, January 19, 2007 in Anbar Province, Iraq, assigned to the Marine Forces Reserve's 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Corporal Neal was born March 19, 1983 in Houston. Corporal Neal attended Crockett schools and graduated with honors from Crockett High School in 2001. Corporal Neal was a member of the Church of Christ.

Corporal Neal was accepted into the engineering program at the University of Texas in Austin and was in his first semester at UT when the events of September 11, 2001 or 9-11 occurred. Those events fueled a desire to be a Marine.

Corporal Neal joined the Marine Reserves in January 2004. Corporal Neal continued with college until the spring of 2006 when he trans-

ferred from Austin to Grand Rapids, Michigan to become a part of the 24<sup>th</sup> Marines, Alpha Company, which would soon be deployed to Iraq.

Survivors include his fiancée Cam Bradshaw, of Austin; mother Judy L. Neal, of San Marcos; father Perry L. Neal, of Wyoming; brothers Jason L. Neal, of Fort Worth and Michael P. Neal, of Houston; sisters Nicole M. Evans, Alicia H. Hernandez, both of Bastrop, La. and Megan A. Neal, of Fla.; grandmothers Sylvia A. Landry, of Bastrop, La. and Eunice D. Zalesky, of Kennard: grandfather Huron "Judge" Neal. of San Augustine; parents of Bradshaw Mitch and Sandy Bradshaw, of Crockett; numerous relatives, friends, classmates and church family.

Funeral services for Marine Corporal Jacob H. Neal were held Monday, January 29, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the Crockett Civic Center with Mr. Rick Kelley officiating.

Military graveside services were held Tuesday, January 30, 2007 at 2:15 p.m. in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio.

A letter from Neal's major was read at the funeral in tribute to a Marine who died while in the service of his country.

At the request of the family and in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Grace Street Church of Christ, 124 South Grace Street, Crockett, TX 75835.

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