

### SSG JOSEPH L. MURPHY



Staff Sergeant Joseph Lenard Murphy, US Army, 35, departed this life on July 2 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. SSG Murphy was born on April 7, 1983 in Jacksonville and grew up in Callahan. He had been stationed at Fort Jackson for the past three years. He served 14 years with the Army. He was currently serving as a Compliance Officer with Bravo Company, Headquarters Battalion. His infantry deployments included: 1 tour in Iraq, 2 tours in Afghanistan and 2 tours in South Korea.

SSG Murphy enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time outdoors. He liked to work out in the gym. He was a master carpenter and loved to build things! He was a fan of the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Cleveland Cavaliers. He was preceded in death by his father Franklin D. Murphy, Sr. (2009); and a sister Cynthia Marie Reese (2007).

SSG Murphy leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Janie Murphy of Columbia, South Carolina; two sons Joseph Lenard Murphy, Jr. and Jerome Michael Murphy, both of Seoul, South Korea; his mother Mrs. Velma Lee Murphy of Callahan; three brothers Reginald (Vanessa) Murphy of Jacksonville, Franklin D. Murphy, Jr. of Atlanta and Joshua A. Murphy of Brooklyn, New York; three sisters Cheryl Murphy (Ricky) Adams of Brunswick, Cherisa L. Murphy and Rolanda S. Murphy, both of Jacksonville; and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, July 11 from 6-8 p.m. at Green Pine Funeral Home, 96281 Green Pine Road in Yulee.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 12 at 11 a.m. at Callahan First Baptist Church, located at 45090 Green Avenue, with Rev. Lynn Hyatt officiating. Interment with Military Honors will follow at the Jacksonville National Cemetery. Following the interment, there will be a repass at Callahan First Baptist Church.

To sign SSG Murphy's online register book and leave condolences please visit the Green Pine website at [www.greenpinefuneral.com](http://www.greenpinefuneral.com).

Arrangements by Green Pine Funeral Home, Yulee.