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Death of a 10th Mountain Division Soldier

Fort Drum, NY – Fort Drum officials have released the name of a Soldier who was found deceased June 23, 2019, near Ajo, Arizona.

Pfc. Kevin J. Christian, 21, whose home of record is listed as Haslet, Texas, was an infantryman with 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (LI), assigned to the Southwest border support mission.

“On behalf of the entire Warrior Battalion, I would like to extend our deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of Pfc. Kevin J. Christian,” said Lt. Col. Dallas Cheatham, commander of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment. “Pfc. Christian was a constant positive force on our team, always ready and willing to shoulder more than his share of the load. He will be sorely missed by the Warriors, but his contribution to our mission and the sacrifices he has made to our country will never be forgotten.”

Pfc. Christian joined the Army in April 2018. After he completed basic combat training and advanced individual training, he was assigned to Fort Polk, Louisiana.

Pfc. Christian’s awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and Army Service Ribbon.

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