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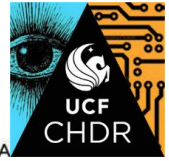
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Megan Marie Wyche

1985 – 2014

Private Second Class: US Army

Persian Gulf, Afghanistan

\*Please note that news articles published online often exist behind paywalls and require a subscription to access digitally. We have provided links, but have not reproduced them here. Similarly, many families have created remembrance pages. Again, we have provided links, but have not reproduced any images without express written permission from the family.

“Graduations,” *Tampa Tribune*, August 24, 2003, 26 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/341815624/>

An article which announces military graduations for a number of individuals, including Wyche. The article mentions that Wyche had graduated from the small arms/artillery repair course at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland.

“Births,” *Tampa Bay Times*, June 10, 2004, 68 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/329606810/?terms=Megan%20Marie%20Wyche&match=1>

A note in the newspaper that Megan Marie Wyche gave birth to a son, Ethan Gabriel, on May 24, 2004.

“Troops Enjoy Family Time before Deployment,” *Pensacola News Journal*, June 26, 2005, 36 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/269143400/?terms=Megan%20Wyche&match=1>

This article profiles a few service men and women and their families shortly before deploying for active duty. Wyche is mentioned as enjoying time with her mother and thirteen-month old son, Ethan, before she deploys with the logistics support battalion.

“Deploying Troops Enjoy Last Leave,” *Biloxi Sun Herald*, June 26, 2005, 10 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/745556482/?terms=Deploying%20Troops%20enjoy%20last%20leave&match=1>

Article about a number of service men and women who will be deploying to Afghanistan soon. Wyche is mentioned, as is her father, who was also serving on active duty at the time.

“Obituaries: Hillsborough,” *Tampa Bay Times*, April 20, 2014, B6 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/364533249/?terms=Megan%20Wyche&match=1>

An obituary for Megan Marie Wyche, which details the day she died and lists her surviving family members.

Monivette Cordeiro, “Gainesville Woman Killed in I-75 Crash,” *Gainesville Sun*, April 17, 2014 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.gainesville.com/story/news/local/2014/04/17/gainesville-woman-killed-in-i-75-crash/31863615007/>

This article, published a day after Wyche’s death, details the single-car crash that killed her. It includes a summary of witness accounts concerning what caused Wyche’s car to spin off the road, and mentions that she died at the scene of the accident.

“Megan Marie Wyche: February 9, 1985—April 16, 2014 (age 29),” *Downing Funeral Home and Cremation Services*, 2014.

<https://www.downingfuneralhomeandcremation.com/obituary/Megan-Wyche>

An obituary for Megan Marie Wyche, published by a Funeral Home located in Spring Hill, Florida. The obituary lists Wyche’s surviving family members, and mentions some of her interests and passions in life, including her love for animals.

“U.S., Veterans’ Gravesites, ca. 1775-2019,” database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed July 7, 2023), entry for Megan Marie Wyche.

<https://www.fold3.com/record/723878877/wyche-megan-marie-us-veterans-gravesites-ca1775-2019>

Above is a link to the United States Veterans’ Gravesite record for Megan Marie Wyche, archived in the online database *Fold3*. This source includes information like Wyche’s birthdate and death date, burial location, military rank, and conflict period.

“Megan Marie Wyche,” *FindAGrave*, January 30, 2015 (accessed July 7, 2023).

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/141998576/megan-marie-wyche>

Megan Marie Wyche’s page on findagrave.com includes information on her birth and death dates, and burial location. It also includes a brief entry detailing the circumstances of Wyche’s death, a listing of surviving family members, and a photograph of her national cemetery marker.



**Megan Wyche's Niche Marker in Florida National Cemetery**

UCF Veterans Legacy Program, *Niche Marker for Megan Wyche*, photograph, 2023, Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL.