



Sean Callahan

June 14, 1987 - April 23, 2011

Sean T. Callahan was born on Flag Day, June 14, 1987 in Manassas, VA., youngest of four children. He grew up in the Prince William County area, graduating from Brentsville High School in 2005. Sean was an accomplished guitar player who loved music of all kinds and went out of his way to encourage younger players. He had an incredible way of lighting up any room he entered and could turn the world on its ear with his eyes and smile. He believed deeply in his calling to defend the freedoms in our country and help those fighting for human dignity and freedom in other countries. He joined the Marine Corps in 2008. While he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, he was an antitank missileman, and was meritoriously promoted to Sergeant on 2 February 2011. Sergeant Callahan served in Iraq from August to October 2009. He was redeployed to Helmand Province, Afghanistan and was killed in action on 23 April 2011 while in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. His awards include the Purple Heart Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. He is survived by his parents Patrick and Janet Callahan, a brother Corporal Daniel Callahan USMC, two sisters Heather and Melodie Callahan. He will be missed greatly by all who know and love him.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM and on Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM

to 9:00 PM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA where a funeral service will take place on Sunday at 5:30 PM. A funeral procession will leave Pierce Funeral Home on Monday, May 2, 2011 at 9:30 AM. Burial will be held at Arlington National Cemetery at 11:00 AM with full military honors. In lieu of floral designs, the Callahan family requests memorial donations are sent in Sean's name to one or more of the following organizations;

Guitars 4 Troops: <http://www.guitars4troops.com/> Fisher House: <http://www.fisherhouse.org/> Wounded Warrior Project: <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>

Tribute Wall

KB

“ Dear Callahan Family,

I will always remember Sean as a child who loved life and tried to make everyone around him happy. I had both your sons in school and remember them as polite young men who cared for the people around them. Sean always had a smile on his face and a kind word. I was sorry to hear of his passing, but not suprised to hear of how much he had accomplished. Sean was a positive person who will be missed by many. Now there is another angel in Heaven.

Karen Befumo - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

TW

“ On behalf of American Legion Post 10 in Manassas I offer our most sincere gratitude for Sean's service to our country. I'd like to offer the Callahan family any support and assistance we may be able to provide. For God and Country.

Tom Wahl - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

KA

“ *Your son, our Hero!*

I thank your son for his service to our country. Freedom is not free, we hear it all the time. I thank Sean for his dedication and bravery. I know it is difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, but looking back in memory may help comfort you tomorrow. My son says that Marines welcome each other at the Pearly Gates in to Heaven. He said they stand guard to wait for their brothers.

*He heard the call of his country;
And answered it brave and true;
"I'll be a man to do or die;
I'm going to help them through."
The Great Commander has written his name;
On the roll of him who gave;
His Only Begotten Son;
And died that we might live.
He paid his debt to his country;
In the fight for right he has won;
And the King of Kings has spoken:
"Thou faithful one, well done."*

*I know that God will wrap His arms around you, He will comfort you.
I pray that he gives you the strength for the days to come. He will cover you with His love.
I care and am praying for you, Sgt. Sean T. Callahan's family.*

*Bless you,
Kandy McNutt
Chanute, Kansas*

(also a Marine Mom)

Kandy - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

DB

“ Callahan Family - I do not know you or your son but my heart breaks for you at the loss of your precious son. I also have a 23 year old son and I cannot imagine the loss you must feel. Thank you for sharing your sons with American. You have given the ultimate sacrifice for all of us and I am very thankful. I am keeping you in my prayers. God Bless you all.

Donna Birge - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

GP

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss your family member and a dedicated Marine. I am assured that we will be comforted by our memories and our love which is very much alive.”

GySgt Charles Peoples - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

VP

“ Who is my hero? Sean Callahan.

I love you. I will miss. I will see you again my hero.

Vicky

Victoria Paulson - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

WM

“ The Marceron Family expresses our deepest sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Calvin informed me of your loss and also wishes you to know he has Sean in his prayers. One cannot put into words his and our concern and sorrow. May God help you through this trying time.

William Marceron - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

SW

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you. We met Sean during his junior year at Brentsville - We will always remember his smile and the friendship he had with Matt and Blake.

We know you must be proud of all his accomplishments and the young man he became.

The Watson Family

Steffany Watson - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM

GM

“ To the Callahan Family,

My heart goes out to you on the loss of your son, Sean, and his heroism on the battlefield. I did have the privilege of knowing him, but I wanted to express my condolences on your sacrifice.

Sean will not be forgotten, and may he and Dominic rest in peace.

Your family is in my prayers and thoughts.

Sincerely,

*Grace Mauberret
Proud Marine Mom
3/4 Kilo Company, Afghanistan*

Grace Mauberret - March 29, 2013 at 02:00 PM