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Obituaries

Lt. Cmdr.

Che Jeremy Barnes

Jan. 27, 1974—Oct. 29, 2009

Lt. Cmdr. Che Jeremy Barnes, 35, was killed in the line of duty on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009, shortly after 7:10 p.m. Che was the pilot in command of a Coast Guard C-130 that was on a search-and-rescue mission off the coast of San Diego. His airplane and six crew members were struck in midair by a Marine Corps Super Cobra helicopter flying a night training mission.

Che grew up on a small organic farm in Yolo County's Capay Valley. He graduated from Esparto High School in 1992 and entered the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. Che graduated with honors in mechanical engineering and, during his 13-year military career, Che flew most aircraft in the Coast Guard, including three years flying the Coast Guard's Falcon Jet from Puerto Rico, five years flying the Coast Guard's H-65 Dolphin Rescue helicopter from San Francisco and two years flying the Coast Guard's C-130 Hercules in Sacramento.

Che touched the lives of many through his service with the Coast Guard and was decorated with many medals and honors, including the Elmer F. Stone Award in early October 2009 for demonstrating exceptional performance in Coast

Guard search and rescue operations in a fixed wing aircraft.

Che was fascinated with aviation from an early age and as a boy avidly built and flew radio-controlled airplanes and later worked his way through flight lessons to solo a single-engine plane on his 16th birthday. When not flying for the Coast Guard, Che flew his Pitts Bi-Plane in aerobatic contests.

In addition to flying, Che also enjoyed playing his guitar, singing, photography, writing, reading and was pursuing an MBA. Che was also an adviser and partner to his family's farming company and retail store in the S.F. Ferry Building, Farm-FreshToYou.Com.

Che joined his late mother, Kathleen Barsotti, in the after-life and is survived by his father, Martin Barnes; his twin brother, Noah Barnes; his two younger brothers, Thaddeus and Freeman Barsotti; and his girlfriend of three years, Carrie Reynolds. Che will be sorely missed by his country, family and friends.

Full military honor services will be held Friday, Nov. 20, at San Francisco's Presidio National Cemetery. For information on these services or to contact Che's family, please e-mail FamilyOfChe@gmail.com.



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