

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1130

In Memory
of
Ryan Collins

WHEREAS, The family and friends of United States Army Specialist Ryan Collins of Vernon suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this valiant soldier on May 18, 2007, at the age of 20; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Collins served his country as a member of C Company, 1st Battalion, 501st Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division; notwithstanding the hazardous nature of his work, he approached his mission with pride and professionalism, his steadfast commitment made all the more firm by his strong desire to help the Iraqi people; and

WHEREAS, A 2004 graduate of Vernon High School, Specialist Collins attended Vernon College before enlisting in the army in 2005; he enjoyed working with his hands and was known to be caring and compassionate, always ready to help others in need; and

WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have young men and women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military service, yet the tragic death of this exemplary soldier is a sobering reminder of the cost of war; those who knew and loved Specialist Collins will forever carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of United States Army Specialist Ryan Collins and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: his mother and stepfather, Danita and David Logsdon; his father, Lynn Collins; his brother, Eric Collins; his half-brothers, Cameron and Colton Collins; and his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of United States Army Specialist Ryan Collins.

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Averitt	Hegar	Shapiro
Brimer	Hinojosa	Shapleigh
Carona	Jackson	Uresti
Deuell	Janek	Van de Putte
Duncan	Lucio	Watson
Ellis	Nelson	Wentworth
Eltife	Nichols	West
Fraser	Ogden	Whitmire
Gallegos	Patrick	Williams
Harris	Seliger	Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 24, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate