

## Chief Warrant Officer Three Jacob Michael Sims 13 August 1981 - 27 October 2017

Chief Warrant Officer Three Jacob Michael Sims was born in Oklahoma on 13 August 1981. CW3 Sims enlisted in the United States Army on 12 August 1999. After completing Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training, He was assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Combat Engineer. After successful selection and completion of Warrant Officer Flight Training, CW3 Sims was assigned to Fort Wainwright, Alaska, as a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter pilot.

CW3 Sims volunteered to serve in the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) and graduated Officer Green Platoon in April 2014. He was assigned to Alpha Company, 4th Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) on Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. CW3 Sims served as a Fully Mission Qualified MH-47G Pilot-in-Command and Company Aviation Safety Officer. CW3 Sims is a veteran of Operation JOINT GUARDIAN in Kosovo; numerous tours in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM in Iraq; and Operations ENDURING FREEDOM, FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, and RESOLUTE SUPPORT in Afghanistan.

CW3 Sims' military education includes Basic Training; Advanced Individual Training; Airborne School; Basic Leader Course; Air Assault School; Jumpmaster School; Advanced Leader Course; Warrant Officer Flight Training; UH-60 Qualification Course; Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) High Risk (Level C) Course; CH-47D Qualification Course; Officer Green Platoon; Combatives Level 1; MH-47G Qualification Course, Aviation Safety Officer Course, and Aviation Warrant Officer Advanced Course.

CW3 Sims' awards and decorations include the Air Medal (with "C" device), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Meritorious Unit Award (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Meritorious Unit Commendation (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Good Conduct Medal (4th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star), Iraq Campaign Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (with Numeral 2), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars), Combat Action Badge, Army Aviator Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Sapper Tab.

CW3 Sims is survived by his wife, Alicia Marie, and his five children: Marrissa Nichole, Cheyenne Elizabeth, Gavin Michael, Grayson James, and Harper Quinn.