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GREEN BERET FOUNDATION ESTABLISHES SGT. 1ST CLASS MATTHEW MCCLINTOCK MEMORIAL FUND

San Antonio, TX, January 7, 2020 – The Green Beret Foundation is proud to announce the establishment of the Sgt. 1st Class (SFC) Matthew McClintock Memorial Fund, which provides children of Special Forces soldiers with financial assistance for education expenses not covered by other resources and other additional unpredicted costs they face while enrolled in school. Financial assistance may be awarded to cover the expenses for both K-12 and post-secondary education. The Foundation is committed to serving the children of our nation's Green Berets by providing access to funds and resources that alleviate the financial stress of the rising costs of education.

The fund was created in memory of Sgt. 1st Class (SFC) Matthew McClintock, who was killed in action in Afghanistan on January 5th, 2016 while serving as a Special Forces Engineer Sergeant with 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne).

Matthew's father Sonny shares, "My son's last words, 'It's what we do!' befit the Green Beret motto, 'De Oppresso Liber' (Free the Oppressed). Matthew always fought for and helped those that could not—the children. Now, with this Memorial Fund, the Green Beret Foundation will be able to continue his quest to help the children."

Funds are raised at the annual SFC Matthew McClintock Memorial Golf Tournament, hosted by the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce in Fairmont, NC. In 2019, the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce raised \$12,000 in support of the memorial fund. If you are interested in supporting this initiative, please make your donation at www.greenberetfoundation.org.

About Sgt. 1st Class (SFC) Matthew McClintock

Sgt. 1st Class Matthew McClintock, a native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, volunteered for military service and entered the Army in September 2006 as an infantryman.



After One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, SFC McClintock was assigned to A Company, 2-7 Cavalry Battalion, 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, in March 2007 as an infantryman. He deployed with A Company, 2-7 Cavalry Battalion, 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division to Mosul, Iraq from March 2007 to December 2007.

Upon returning, SFC McClintock was part of the reflagging of 4th Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division to 4th Brigade of the 1st Armored Division. He was then assigned to A Company, 4-16 Infantry Battalion, 4 Brigade, 1st Armored Division.

Following Special Forces Assessment and Selection, SFC McClintock was assigned to 4th Student Battalion at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School. Upon graduating from the Special Forces course, he was assigned to A Company, 4th Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne).

SFC McClintock deployed on Joint Combined Exchange Training missions to Thailand and the Philippines, to Afghanistan from September 2012 to May 2013, and again to the Philippines from October 2013 to March 2014. He left active duty in August of 2014 and joined the National Guard, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne) until March 2015, at which time he transferred A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne).

SFC McClintock's military education includes the Infantry One Station Unit Training, Airborne School, Special Forces Engineer Course, Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape (SERE) School, Special Operations Terminal Attack Controller course, and Hazardous Material course.

SFC McClintock's awards and decorations include the Silver Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal (2nd Award), Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Iraqi Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), NATO Medal, Special Forces Tab, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Parachutists Badge.

He was posthumously promoted to Sgt. 1st Class.