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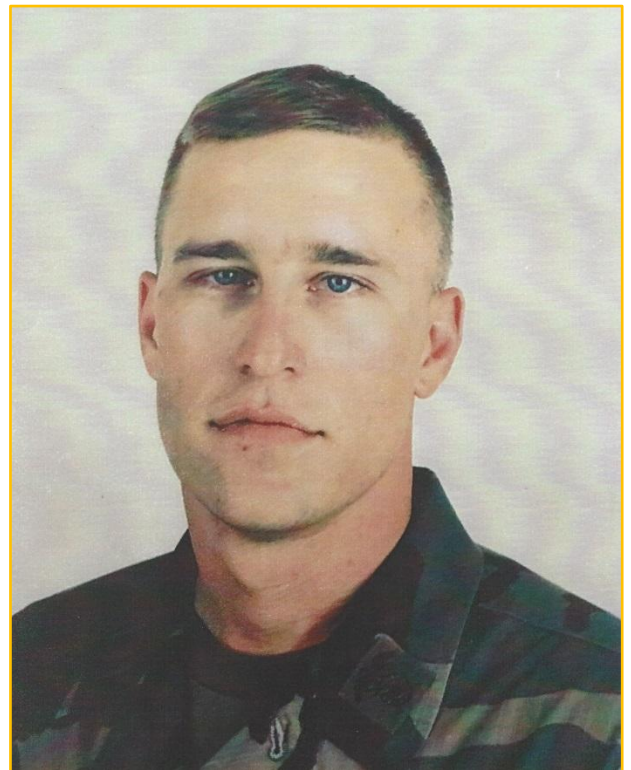
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Russ Kaiser

United States Army

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Russ entered the United States Army in September 1988. For the next 20 years he served in various positions and through several significant deployments. After completing training at Fort Lee, Virginia, he embarked on a career of service that would see him stationed around the world from Germany, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Somalia, Kosovo, to various posts stateside, including at the Pentagon as Deputy Chief of Staff, G8/Synchronization Officer. He retired with the rank of United States Army Lieutenant Colonel.

Russ served in Operations Desert Shield and Storm, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, as well as Operations Provide Comfort, Iraq, Restore Hope, Somalia, and Joint Guardian, Kosovo. One of his most special memories was the gratitude and joy shown by the Kuwaitis after they had been liberated.

For his service, Russ was awarded many medals and ribbons including: Bronze Star Medal; Joint Service Commendation Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (6th award); Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award); Army Achievement Medal (2nd Award); National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award); Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Southwest Asia Service Medal w/Bronze Service Star (3rd Award); Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Humanitarian Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award); NATO Medal; Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia); Kuwait

Liberation Medal (Kuwait); Parachutist Badge; Army Staff Identification Badge; Joint Meritorious Unit Award; and Meritorious Unit Commendation.

After retiring from active duty in December, 2008 at Fort Riley, Kansas, Russ by no means left his military days behind him. Still employed by the military as an analyst, he has worked at Fort Riley, Kansas, Camp Zama, Japan, and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. For his civilian work he received the Achievement Medal for Civilian Service Award (2nd), and the Superior Civilian Service Award. He volunteers his free time at Good Shepherd Church, Harvesters, Pet Project, and Hillcrest Thrift Store.

Russ and his wife, Jill, have been married for 31 years. They have one daughter.

Platte Purchase Daughters are proud and honored to recognize and honor Lieutenant Colonel Russ Kaiser as Patriot of the Month for his very dedicated service and patriotism to his community and to our great nation.