

## Jason T. Duke, 28

*March 29, 1972 – April 8, 2000*

**MESA, AZ** – Lance Corporal Jason T. Duke was born in Sacramento, CA, March 29, 1972. He attended Thomas Jefferson Elementary School, Kit Carson Middle School, McClintock High School and graduated from Sacramento High School in Sacramento. He played football at Mesa Community College in Arizona. He died April 8, 2000, with 18 fellow Marines in the crash of an MV-22 Osprey. He was a machine gunner with the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Judy L. Duke; maternal grandmother, Margaret Karacozoff; and her husband, Ivan; paternal grandparents, Max and Fern Duke; cousins, Michael Miskinnis and Kristina Karacozoff; stepsister, Marci Bradshaw and his extended family, Loreto Perez. He is survived by his father, Thomas E. Duke (Louanna) of Tempe, AZ; his sister, Captain Susan M. Duke of Long Beach, CA; a brother, Thomas C. Duke of Sacramento, CA; stepsisters, Dawn Delatorre of Gilbert, AZ and Paula Bradshaw of Queen Creek, AZ and Bev Duke Barratt (Garland) of Irwin; other aunts, uncles, cousins and godmother, Carol Child of Sacramento, CA.

Funeral services were held April 21, 2000, at Mariposa Gardens Chapel in Mesa, AZ.

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