

STATEMENT FROM THE FAMILY OF LIEUTENANT JUSTIN
GARRETT BOYES

Lt Justin Garrett Boyes, my husband, was a selfless, courageous man who loved his career in the Army. Justin was a respected, intelligent leader, a genuine friend, an unconditionally loving devoted husband, and most of all, the very best daddy. He gave 100% in every decision he made. Before he left I told him he was a gallant warrior in the 21st century because whether it was leading a combat operation, doing house renos or changing a 'poopy' diaper, he knew what to do.

Our tall, dark and handsome daddy was wise beyond his years. He was a true gentleman, steadfast, sensitive, caring and the very best listener a girl could ever want. He was my confidante; my other half. Our son is lucky to have had a tender, loving daddy to read, cuddle, watch fireworks on YouTube with and go for special coffees out to Tim Hortons. We will be strong for our daddy and continue his legacy of values and beliefs because we must continue in our lives without him. We are luckier than most to have had each other; we were very happy.

Justin and I believe in the mission in Afghanistan. One of the things that frustrated him was the lack of support from the Canadian citizens he lived to protect. He said recently, "we're not losing this war, but if we do, it's because we lost it at home first." Please support our boys. They are making progress.

Justin you are irreplaceable in our lives. Solid as a rock, beautiful as a marble statue and warm and gentle as the sunshine on our cheeks, you are our daddy and best friend.

*Then let amorous kisses dwell
On our lips, begin to tell
A thousand and a hundred score
A hundred and a thousand more*

Sincerely,

The Family of Justin Boyes