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Soldier to be remembered, honored at advanced MP training range

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – A Soldier from Festus, Mo., is being remembered by the 14th Military Police Brigade and Fort Leonard Wood during a range dedication ceremony that is planned for 10 a.m. April 3 at the Protective Service Range 13.

The range will be named in honor of Staff Sgt. James Ide V who was assigned to the 230th MP Company, 95th MP Battalion, 18th MP Brigade, 21st Theater Sustainment Command.

In April 2010, Ide and his military working dog, Daphne, were deployed to Afghanistan with the task of detecting improvised explosive devices in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Ide died of wounds sustained when insurgents attacked his unit with small-arms fire Aug. 29, 2010.

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Ide and Daphne completed more than 300 combat patrols.

Ide's awards include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device.

Ide is survived by his wife Mandy, and two children, who were able to adopt Daphne after she was retired from service.

The Protective Service Range 13 is part of the Special Operations Range Complex on Fort Leonard Wood. This complex is designed for advanced law enforcement and special antiterrorism training activities.

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Encl. Photo: Staff Sgt. James "Jimmy" Ide V, Daphne

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains 80-90,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Non Commissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.

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