



**Sergeant Edward Ablang, US Army**

**601st Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade**

Sgt Edward Ablang was from Edmonds, Washington. He joined the U.S. Army in 2007 and was assigned to the 1st Infantry Division as part of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 601st Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade at Fort Riley, Kansas as a wheeled vehicle mechanic.

Sgt Ablang successfully completed two oversea deployments, once to Iraq and once to Afghanistan.

On December 20, 2013, Sgt. Edward Ivan Ablang died unexpectedly in a motorcycle accident in Junction City, Kansas, leaving behind his beautiful wife, Kelsey, and two sons, Adrian (8) and. Though he was wearing his helmet, he hit his head on a guardrail and died instantly. He was a dedicated and loving husband, father, brother, uncle, son, cousin, friend, soldier, hero and an incredibly bright soul who left us far too soon. The family was in the midst of moving back to the Pacific NW the following month to be closer to the rest of Edward's family and siblings.

