

Washington, DC -- U.S. Rep. Michael A. Arcuri (NY-24) released the following statement today in honor of Private First Class Patrick A. DeVoe II, 27, of Auburn, NY, who was killed in Afghanistan on Sunday.

“There is nothing more difficult for a family and a community than losing a brave and bright young life in its prime. I wish to extend my deepest sympathies, and my most heartfelt gratitude, to the family and loved ones of Private First Class DeVoe.

“Patrick’s profound sense of duty and patriotism lead him to give the greatest sacrifice of all for his country, and now it is our duty to remember his life and uphold the freedoms for which he fought. The brave men and women, and their families and loved ones left behind, who fight to protect our great nation must be honored in our words and with our deeds.”

DeVoe was assigned to the 1st Squadron, 40th Cavalry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Richardson, Alaska.

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