

Age 23, made the ultimate sacrifice in service to her country on January 7, 2007 near Al Mahmudi-yah, Iraq.

Elizabeth was a Senior Airman with Air Force Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD). Liz was a member of St. Peter the Apostle RC Church. She was a 1998 graduate of St. Peter Elementary School, a 2001 graduate of Padua Academy. She attended Arizona State University before joining the armed forces. Liz enlisted in the U.S. Air Force March 2003, graduated from

Eglin AFB–Naval Tech Explosive Ordinance Disposal School on February 27, 2004. She was stationed at Hill Air Force Base, UT, before deploying to Iraq on September 27, 2006. Elizabeth was an avid sportsman with a particular passion for volleyball. Most of all she loved spending time with her family. Her favorite time of the year was summertime. She cherished Christmas and loved shopping for the

perfect gifts for all her loved ones. When Liz was attending Padua she became part of a very "close group of friends"

who stayed very close over the years. She will be dearly missed by all of her Padua sisters. Upon hearing of Liz's death, a Sgt. Major who had been instrumental in Liz's training contacted the family and expressed to them his heartfelt sentiments and respects that Liz had earned under his command "Elizabeth was an ultimate troop. I am an old special forces guy and have been through a lot of action. I have served in 3 wars and numerous squirmishes. I had the privilege of being in Elizabeth's company she was involved in extreme combat training and the highest danger she saved a lot of, I repeat a lot of lives. She was involved in a male dominant field that d n few males get through and she set herself above everyone. Bar none she was one of the finest people that I have ever trained. I would put her against any male counterpart. I have 2 boys in the military and have lost troops under my command in the special forces and I have never worked with a finer person".

Elizabeth is survived by her father and stepmother, Stephen and Christine Loncki, of New Castle; her sister, Olivia Loncki; her paternal grandparents, Christine "Nan" and Walter "Pop" Loncki and many other loving friends and familymembers.







The Loncki family would like to thank everyone for the huge outpouring of support and prayers.



August 19, 2018 - DOVER, Del. (AP/WBOC)- The bridge serving Dover Air Force Base will be named after a Delaware airman who was killed in action in 2007.

The bridge over Del. 1, which connects the base's main gate with base housing, will be named in honor of Senior Airman Elizabeth A. Loncki.

Loncki disarmed more than 20 explosive devices during her service on an explosive ordnance disposal team in Iraq. The New Castle native was 23 when she was killed in a car bombing near Baghdad on Jan. 7, 2007.

According to the U.S. Air Force, Loncki was the first woman from Delaware to die in combat in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Dover Rep. Sean M. Lynn worked with the air force base to spearhead the naming effort.





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