









1168th Transportation Company

HQ: Red Oak

Map 2: World map with country/area highlighted

Deployment – Kuwait – January 2003 to April 2004

Operation Iraqi Freedom

In the fall of 2002 tensions rose between Saddam Hussein's Iraq and the United States. In January 2003 the 1168th Transportation Company was activated for duty. The 1168th arrived in Kuwait at the Kuwait City International Airport on 19 April 2003. After arriving in Kuwait the 1168th moved to Camp Arifjan in Kuwait and conducted transportation convoys into Iraq.



The 1168th Transportation Company traveled over 230,000 miles between Iraq and Kuwait. (Mark Bucher, United States Air Force)

224th Engineer Battalion Iowa National Guard HQ: Fairfield

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Deployment – Iraq – October 2004 to December 2005

IEDs in Iraq

Improvised Explosive Devices or IEDs were commonly used by insurgents in Iraq. Enemies would construct explosives and place them upon routinely traveled roads. IEDs have killed hundreds of Americans and wounded thousands of others. The 224th Engineer Battalion patrolled along Iraqi highways searching for undetonated IEDs in order to protect their fellow comrades.



The shrapnel and concussive power emitted from an IED could destroy a vehicle or kill anyone within its vicinity. (Department of Defense)

Spc David Behrle

Hometown: Tipton

Born: March 6, 1987

Died: May 19 2007

Unit: Company A, 1st

Battalion, 5th Cavalry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st

Cavalry, U.S. Army

Died when an IED detonated near the Bradley Fighting Vehicle he was operating in Baghdad.



Pvt 2 Kenneth Nalley

Hometown: Hamburg

Born: October 12, 1983

Died: May 26, 2003

Unit: 501st Military Police

Company, U.S. Army

He died in a vehicle accident in Samawah, Iraq. He and another soldier were escorting a convoy and a heavy equipment transporter crossed the median and struck their Humvee.



Sgt Kampha Sourivong

Hometown: Iowa City

Born: March 21, 1986

Died: September 30, 2006

Unit: Company C, 1st

Battalion, 133rd Infantry, Iowa

National Guard

He died of injuries sustained when his vehicle received small arms fire during security operations in Asad, Iraq. SSG1 Scott Nisely of Marshalltown was also killed in the attack.









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