**Timothy Giles Serwinowski** was born on December 22, 1988 in

North Tonawanda, NY.

As Tim grew up it was very clear that he was a very determined young man. If Tim wanted something he went after it with everything he had in him to achieve his goal. When Tim was young he loved to read and draw. He loved a wide variety of music and it was a constant in his life; he was teaching himself to play the guitar and he loved to sing all the time! Tim was an avid soccer player for many years.

As Tim entered into his high school years, he started playing football and fell in love with the game and the bond that he formed with his team members. After one year of college, in May of 2008, he decided to join the Marines; it seemed the natural thing for him to do. He found the same camaraderie that he had during his football years.

Tim strived to do his very best as a Marine and was very proud to be one. Tim was deployed to Afghanistan in January of 2010, and was involved in the invasion of Marjah in February of that same year. Tim was an Infantry Assaultman 0351; his job was to patrol on foot and he walked many miles to keep his fellow Marines, and the people of Afghanistan, safe.

Sadly, Timothy was shot and killed in Marjah on June 21st 2010, at the age of 21. Tim’s Battalion lost eight other brave Marines during that deployment. Tim was a Purple Heart recipient, as well as receiving the Honorable Service Award and the Conspicuous Service Cross.

Tim is missed every day and will be remember as a Hero forever.