



A-10s recognized for saving soldiers' lives

By Tech. Sgt. Danielle Johnston

In November, five service members reunited. They were never stationed together, nor were they even in the same branch of service. But the event that united them was one that will never be forgotten.

It was 2008. Three hundred reservists from the 442nd Fighter Wing here were deployed to Bagram Airbase, Afghanistan. The A-10 Thunderbolt II unit had been called up to support Operation Enduring Freedom, something it had already done a few times post-9/11.

Col. James Mackey, the wing's vice commander, and Lt. Col. Anthony Roe, both A-10 pilots, were scheduled to provide close-air support to protect an Army convoy that day for a routine mission. However, after takeoff, the pilots were told they would not be needed.

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By Brig. Gen. Eric S. Overturf

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Santos named Tip of the Spear

By 442nd Maintenance Group

Senior Master Sgt. Roy Santos is the accessory flight chief for the 442nd Maintenance Squadron. Santos supervises and directs a broad spectrum of backshop maintenance personnel.

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By Senior Airman Steele C. G. Britton

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