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BOULDER PLACED IN FRONT OF SYCAMORE ARMORY

New Memorial in honor of fallen Soldier

SYCAMORE- Illinois Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Dana Nailor, of Dekalb, a member of Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 122nd Field Artillery in Sycamore, Ill., won a “Proud to be a Veteran” boulder in a local raffle and is donating it to his fallen comrade. He won the boulder from a raffle that was sponsored by Sterling Business Machines. Nailor was assisting the family of Staff Sgt. Kevin Grieco when he found out he won.

“The timing couldn’t have been better, given the circumstances,” said Nailor.

Grieco, 35, of Bartlett, a member of Nailor’s unit, was killed in action Oct. 27 in Afghanistan.

This memorial will be placed in front of the Sycamore Armory.

“Families and Soldiers need to know that those who made the ultimate sacrifice will not be forgotten”, Nailor said. “This will be a timeless reminder to all Soldiers in our unit. Upon the return of our unit in Afghanistan, I will have a plaque made, and I pray Grieco will be the only name.”



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