

Funeral Monday for soldier from Quincy killed in Iraq

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Army Pfc. Norman Joshua Darling, a former Quincy resident killed by a suicide bomber in Iraq on April 29, will be buried with military honors Monday in the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

He and seven other U.S. soldiers died April 29 in a suicide attack just south of Baghdad. Their unit was searching for roadside explosives when a vehicle approached and a bomb detonated.

Pfc. Darling, 29, was born in the Bahamas and immigrated to the United States in 1995 after graduating from H.O. Nash High School in Nassau. He became a citizen when he married an American.

He lived in Brockton in the late 1990s and later in Quincy, where he worked at Boston Financial. He had also lived in Middleboro and Taunton.

Pfc. Darling joined the military in January 2003. He was a member of the Army's 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment.

He is survived by his wife, Kimberly Burch Darling; a daughter, Camryn Darling of Florida; his parents: Sidney and Madlyn (Fife) Darling of Nassau; three brothers, James Darling, Christopher Darling and Rodney Darling all of Nassau; and two sisters, Cyndi Darling and Crystal Darling also of Nassau.

Visiting hours will be 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at MacDonald, Rockwell & MacDonald Funeral Home, 6 Riverside St., Watertown. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the national cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Homes for Our Troops Inc., P.O. Box 615, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532.

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