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MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. – Lance Cpl. Kevin M. Cornelius, 20, of Ashtabula, Ohio, died August 7 as a result of a hostile incident while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

Cornelius was a rifleman assigned to 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 2, I Marine Expeditionary Force Forward. He joined the Marine Corps in September 2008 and was promoted to the rank of lance corporal on November 1, 2009.

He deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in March 2010.

His awards include the Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

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