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MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. – Lance Cpl. Jose A. Hernandez, 19, of West Palm Beach, Fla., died Dec. 14, as a result of a hostile incident while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

Hernandez was a rifleman assigned to 1st Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 2, I Marine Expeditionary Force Forward. He joined the Marine Corps in June 2009 and was promoted to lance corporal March 01, 2010.

Most recently he deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in September 2010.

His awards include the National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

Requests to support the family and media requests regarding burial arrangements or personal information must be directed to the Casualty Assistance Branch, Headquarters Marine Corps, at (703) 784-9512.

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