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## **MEDIA RELEASE: Fort Benning Soldier dies after motorcycle accident**

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**FORT BENNING, Ga.** – The Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning extend our sincere condolences to the friends and family of Staff Sgt. Ryan C. Ozment, 29, of Marietta, Georgia. Ozment was a Platform Committee Instructor assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 198th Infantry Brigade. He died the evening of June 20, two days following a motorcycle accident.

Ozment, an infantryman (11B), joined the Army in May of 2011 and spent one year deployed to Afghanistan.

His awards and decorations include: Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge and Overseas Service Ribbon. He is also a graduate of the Advanced Leaders Course, Combatives Level I Course, Common Faculty Development-Instructor Course, Basic Airborne Course, Basic Leaders Course, Small Arms Maintenance Course and the Digital Training Management Systems Course.

His previous assignments and duty stations include: Joint Base Lewis Washington, WA, as an IAV Commander, Squad Leader and Rifleman; Camp Ederle, Italy, as a Gunner and Squad Leader; and Fort Benning, GA, as a Fire Team Leader, Instructor, Team Leader and Platform Committee Instructor.

He is survived by his spouse and three children.

The accident remains under investigation at this time.

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