

**SOUTH DAKOTA  
FALLEN HERO**



*Your  
Memory  
lives on in  
our hearts.*



*In Loving Memory*

*SFC Richard Schild*



*Tabor, SD*

*SD Army National Guard*

*11-29-1965 to 12-04-2005*

*Iraq*

Rich was my husband's little brother; the youngest of ten children in a big, crazy, loving family. I can honestly say that I don't have a single memory of him that is not a good one. He lightened up any room he entered. He laughed, cracked jokes, told stories, and made everyone feel like a friend.



Brooks and I and our three kids went on a vacation with Rich's family to the Black Hills before they left for Iraq. What a gift that was! Although he loved being in the guard, most of the time when I picture him, he's not in a military uniform. He's in in shorts and a t-shirt sitting on the shore of Center Lake fishing with Koby, sticking his head out of the window of the 1880 train with Keely, or sitting on rock by the lake talking with Kay.

He was so proud of his kids and loved being with them. Ten years have passed. His children are the age Rich was when I met him. Although their time with him was cut far too short, I see him in their eyes, hear him in their laughter, and I smile. Memories of Rich just have a way of doing that.

Joan Schild