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From: Commanding Officer, Company F  
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1. I would like to extend my deepest thanks to you and for all of your selfless contributions and assistance with the funeral services for one of Company F's fallen Marines, Sgt Kurt B. Wyman.

2. As you know, Sgt Wyman was a deputy sheriff with the Oneida County Sheriff's Office stationed in Utica, New York. On the early morning of June 7, 2011, Deputy Wyman was killed in the line of duty after conducting several hours of negotiations with a troubled suspect threatening suicide. Sgt Wyman was also an infantryman who had previously served a tour of duty in Iraq from 2008-2009, and had been serving as a rifle squad leader in my company. The news of his death was a shock to all hands. It is always expected that some will be lost on a foreign shore in an imminent danger zone, but less so on American soil. In both roles, his mission was to serve and protect.

3. Like so many others, you came to aid of his family and loved ones in their time of need to help them through probably their most darkest hours and days. I do believe that you brought some comfort to Sgt Wyman's parents and to his wife, Lauren, his son, Alexander and his new born daughter, Adyson, and demonstrates the true colors of your self-sacrificing character. For that, I can never thank you enough.

E. J. MORTON