

Lay Seth "Jethro" Nehring to Rest

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"Jethro" coming home on his Angel Flight was one of the most difficult days, friends say. Coming, soon will be another difficult day, laying Seth "Jethro" Nehring to rest. Seth gave the ultimate sacrifice, and it's time for his community to show our respect, by helping through this hardship. It's never expected, rarely is it ever planned for.

I know most don't know me-I'm a caring individual of the 194 known only thru a friend who is the wife of one of the pilot's in this Squadron. Watching the pain made my heart ache and the desire to do more. 100% of all funds donated, will be given to to Seth's parents, who is the beneficiary. As soon as the memorial date/time is set publically, I will update.

PLANE CRASH - Lt. Col. Seth "Jethro" Nehring, 44, was killed while taking part in a familiarization flight in a Russian-built Su-27UB fighter jet with a Ukrainian counterpart.

Nehring was a fighter pilot with the California Air National Guard's 194th Fighter Squadron, part of the 144th Fighter Wing based at the Fresno Air National Guard Base, located on the southeast corner of Fresno-Yosemite International Airport.

The Air Force says that Nehring has been a member of the 144th for more than 20 years. Nehring began his career as an enlisted crew chief before being selected as a pilot. He flew the F-16 Viper for more than 15 years, before converting to the F-15 Eagle.

The familiarization flight was part of a joint military training exercise called Clear Sky 2018, which kicked off last week. Clear Sky brings together more than 950 personnel from Ukraine and eight NATO nations. The familiarization flights give NATO service members an opportunity to ride in Soviet or Russian-built aircraft, like the Su-27UB fighter jet. The Air Force says that Nehring was handpicked to take part in Clear Sky due to his more than 20-year career as a pilot flying the F-16 Fighting Falcon and F-15 Eagle aircraft.

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