

## *The Anniversary*

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*One Year has passed*

*The memory still clear*

*The life you lived*

*The job you did*

*The battle you fought without fear*

*Not one day goes by without thinking about you  
About the magical smile that was always on your face*

*Or how your boots had to always shine*

*Or how you loved us all*

*One Year has passed and we try to pull through each day  
We try to stay strong and make you proud  
For we know you would not want us to cry  
So we try to hold our heads up high and keep a smile on our face*

*However it is hard each day*

*As we remember your life*

*As we remember those six months*

*As we remember that last day*

*In our eyes we see you as a hero*

*For we saw this on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003*

*As hundreds of people turned up to say their last goodbyes*

*As the motorcade of over 50 officers lead the way*

*And as officers marched behind*

*As your casket draped in the American flag was led to your final resting place*

*As the tears rolled down everyone's eyes*

*As the bagpipes played, and the trumpet sounded*

*And the American flag was folded and presented to your wife*

*As your fellow officers removed their white gloves and layed them upon your casket*

*As your Children cried and were told how much you were respected*

*We love you so much*

*You fought your hardest*

*And lived life to its fullest*

*You can never be forgotten*

*Even though you are gone, your memory lives on each day*

*You will always be our Guardian Angel watching over us*

*Someday we will all be reunited with you in Heaven*

*I Love You Dad*

*Rest in Peace*

*You Are Missed Greatly by ALL!!!*

*Thumbs Up!*