

PPCLI FATALITY IN AFGHANISTAN- 03 June 2008

Capt Richard (Rich) Steven Leary was killed in action in Afghanistan this morning (03 June 2008). He was serving as a platoon commander in B Company, 2PPCLI Battle Group. He died from wounds sustained in a firefight near the village of Talukan in Panjwayi District, Kandahar, Afghanistan. Captain Leary was born in Brantford, Ontario on 11 September 1975. He attended McMasters University, graduating with a BA in History. Captain Leary enrolled in the Canadian Forces as a direct entry officer in January 2004 and was posted to 2 PPCLI on completion of his Basic Infantry Officer training in September 2006. This was his first overseas mission. He leaves behind his wife Rachel, his parents Rick and Gail and his sister Brandy.



Capt Richard (Rich) Steven Leary