Derek Martin was a kind and selfless individual. His dedication to "Service Before Self" was evident in not only his oath to the Air Force, but to his actions. Through multiple deployments to various war zones, he was able to find the humanity in individuals. While he may have had his inner demons, he delt with his bout in PTSD, he still found a way to connect with those even after his duty for his country was over. He coached youth sports and even co-created a non-profit to help with veterans suffering from PTSD. I not only proud to call him a brother in life as my brother-in-law, but also a brother in arms as a member of the United States Air Force.

Sincerely,

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