



**Sgt. Monica Rose**  
**U.S. Army Military Police**  
**Guatemala, El Salvador, Kuwait and Iraq**

As a result of 9-11, Sergeant Monica Rose was activated in 2001 for “Operation Noble Eagle” to provide Homeland Security for a year in the Pocono Mountains at Tobyhanna Army Depot. Sgt. Rose provided base security at an ammunitions plant. Sgt. Rose also provided security as a Military Police Officer in Guatemala and El Salvador, where she walked ahead of VIP’s and military dignitaries to insure no land mines were in their path.

Sgt. Rose was activated in 2003 to “Operation Iraqi Freedom” serving as a gunner, driver and security with the U.S. Military Police for a year, stationed in Bagdad, based in Balad Iraq. Sgt Rose conducted convoy escorts, routine patrols through towns, manned relay and guard towers. Sgt. Rose’s patrols were subjected to mortar attacks and IED’s (Improvised Explosive Devices). Sgt. Rose performed these duties on a daily basis to protect troops, officers, and visiting dignitaries during her deployment.

After serving as a U.S. Army Military Police Officer, Sgt. Rose returned to Mercer County to resume her career as a Patrol Officer with the Southwest Mercer County Regional Police Department, where she has been employed for 13 years.

Sgt. Rose is a 1995 graduate of Brookfield High School, and a 1996 graduate of Mercyhurst Municipal Police Officers Academy. Articles relating her service have been published in the Views & Voices and in the Tobyhanna Army Depot News.

Sgt. Rose resides in West Middlesex with her 8 year old son, Gavin. Her parents are Ronald and Marrienne Maurice of Sharon and Rick and Becky Thompson of Mercer. Sgt. Rose has three siblings residing in Mercer County – Dr. Michelle Thompson, Maggie Thompson and Raleigh Thompson.

Sgt. Rose is quoted as saying, "I have actively served my country as a Military Police Sergeant in the U.S. Army for 2 years and 6 years in the Reserves. I chose to become a police officer because I enjoy helping people and want to enforce the laws."