## **GREGORY T. WILAND**



Age 42. beloved son. brother. uncle and fiancé passed away suddenly on April 8, 2024. We share this announcement with a great deal of grief and sadness, but we want to remember Greg for the truly unique person he was. He was born in West Brownsville, PA on July 25, 1981. He eventually moved with his family to Gibsonia. PA. Where he firmly planted his roots. He attended Hampton high school where

he forged many long lasting friendships. While at Hampton Greg was a tenacious member of the wrestling team consistently committed to sweating off the pounds to maintain his weight class. He was also an accomplished martial artist earning a second-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do. Following high school Greg opted to pursue his passion and joined the Marine Corps. "Once a Marine, always a Marine" he would often say. Follow 9-11 Greg was assigned to the second expeditionary force at the outset of operation Enduring Freedom. He was among the first to arrive in Afghanistan, where he demonstrated his bravery and valor him a Combat Action Ribbon. After completing his military commitment, he returned home to Pittsburgh and pursued a career in law enforcement which led him to his present job as a deputy with the Allegheny County Sheriffs Department. He was well respected and known for being a dedicated officer and a bit of a jokester. He was also known for being the first in, during any given situation. He was always willing to help out anywhere in anyway he could. In his spare time, Greg enjoyed barbecues, swimming pools, spending times with his friends and vacationing at the beach in Ocean City Maryland. He also enjoyed spending a quiet evening at home watching a movie with his fiancé, Nina and beloved rescue Bella, cuddled up next to him. Greg is survived by his parents, Gary and Nancy Wiland, sister Amanda (Chad) Brown , sister Leann Wiland, fiancé, Nina Martinelli, newly born nephew Cooper Brown. Words cannot describe how deeply how deeply we will miss him. We pray his soul rests in peace. Semper Fi. Friends and family will be received on Friday, April 12, 2024 from 2-8 PM at SPERLING FUNERAL HOME, 700 Blazier Dr. McCandless Twp. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Alexis Church of St. Aidan Parish on Saturday. April 13, 2024 at 9:30 AM. To leave a remembrance please visit www.sperlingfuneral.com