

JOHN RICHARD RICHARDSON

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Rich who was presumably killed in an aircraft accident on board the USS SARATOGA on 8 April while operating in the Mediterranean. Although the circumstances surrounding his fateful death were not made available to us, the news was an added shock to our already grief-stricken class after the loss of our boys in the THRESHER the same month. Rich's loss is a great one to all who knew him, even as far back when he was a Marine at NAPS. We shall always remember him for his quiet, resolute and friendly manner. To his family we extend our heartfelt sympathies.

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