

Matt Maupin timeline

April 9 Army Reserve Pfc. Matt Maupin's convoy is attacked west of Baghdad. Maupin is a member of the 724th Transportation Co., based in Bartonville, Ill. Eight other Americans, seven of them contractors, disappear after the attack, including truck driver Thomas Hamill. Four of the civilians are later found dead.



May 1 Maupin receives promotion to specialist.

May 2 Hamill of Macon, Miss., escapes from his captors.



June 12 Al-Qaida terrorists operating in Saudi Arabia capture Paul Johnson, an engineer from Galloway Township, N.J.

June 18 Johnson is beheaded.

June 28 A new videotape surfaces of a man killed by militants. Al-Jazeera says it is Spc. Maupin. The report comes hours after the United States returns sovereignty in Iraq to an interim government.

April 13 Maupin of Union Township is confirmed missing, along with one other soldier and seven employees of Kellogg, Brown & Root.

April 23 Maupin's convoy mate, Army Sgt. Elmer Krause, is found dead in Iraq.



May 8 U.S. troops find the body of Nicholas Berg, of West Chester, Pa., on a road near Baghdad. A videotape is released showing Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian militant with ties to al-Qaida, beheading the American businessman.

June 22 South Korean translator Kim Sun-il is beheaded by Islamic militants.

June 27 Arab television shows a video of a blindfolded Marine Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun of suburban Salt Lake City. The kidnapers say if their demands are not met, Hassoun will be beheaded.



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