

# American Hero



**SrA Jonathan Antonio  
Vega Yelner**

**United States Air Force  
Age: 24**

**Hometown:  
Lafayette, CA**

**Gave his life on:  
April 29, 2008**

**"Be not afraid of greatness"  
-accepting his Eagle Scout Award 2002**

**Graduated from St. Perpetua School 1998  
and DeLaSalle High School 2002.**

**'Jake' to his family and school friends.  
Proud of his Puerto Rican heritage,  
"Vega" (known to his Air Force & Army  
buddies) truly believed he was making  
a difference in Afghanistan. No one was  
a stranger after the initial "hello".**

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