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## C-130 Crash Survivor Returns To Pope AFB

A Staff Report





Sgt. Tony P. Holmes, one of two survivors of the July 1 C-130 crash at Fort Bragg, returned to Pope Air Force Base Sunday where he was met by his wife and squad members.

Holmes returned from Brooke Army Medical Center to Pope at about 3:30 p.m., said Pope spokesman Capt. Brian Irving.

Among those welcoming him home was Lt. Marc A. Lenke, the only other survivor of the crash.

Both men underwent treatment for severe burns at Brooke, located at Fort Sam Houston near San Antonio, Texas.

Holmes, the flight engineer, and Lenke, the co-pilot, were the only members of the six-member aircrew to survive. A soldier on the ground also died when the C-130 was unable to pull out of a low-altitude parachute extraction system maneuver before a crowd of about 5,000 spectators and crashed into a nearby woodline, erupting into flames.



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