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In Collaboration w/ MSC Town Hall
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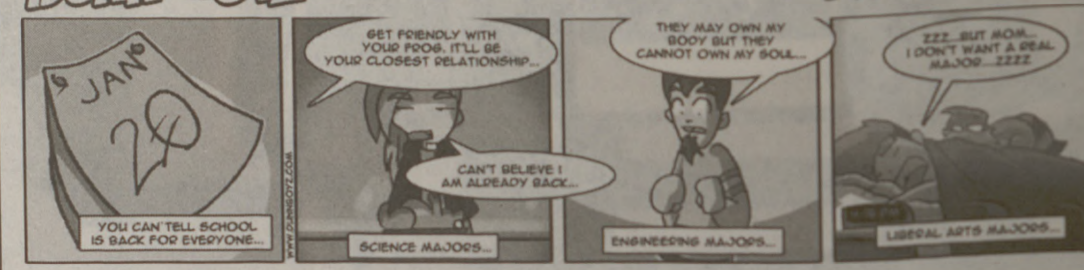
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Caldas enrolled at A&M. "That boy bled maroon," Pendergraft said. "A&M built him into the man he was 100 percent. It's the best thing that ever happened to him."

While at A&M, Blanco-Caldas joined the Corps of Cadets, where he served as Wing Chaplain. He also sang in the A&M Century Singers. During his junior year, Blanco-Caldas was selected to become a Ross Volunteer. He also helped to build five Aggie Bonfires in his years at A&M.

"He loved Bonfire," said Erich McElroy, Blanco-Caldas' roommate at A&M. "He loved being at A&M and every aspect of A&M. He just loved it."

It was at A&M where Blanco-Caldas found a strong faith in God. Once a week, he would lead Bible study sessions in his dorm room.

When Blanco-Caldas was commissioned in the U.S. Army in 1998, his faith followed. In Iraq, he led Sunday morning worship and Bible studies for his men.

"He loved God with all his heart," McElroy said. "He believed being there for his soldiers was a mission God had given him."

McElroy said Blanco-Caldas made a huge impact on the soldiers who served with him in Afghanistan and Iraq.

"Ernie's men loved him, and he would do anything for them," he said. "He genuinely cared about the people he was around. He was the kind of person you don't forget."

Blanco-Caldas earned his first bronze star during his deployment to Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom. After his return from Afghanistan, his army contract was up but he chose to re-enlist to go to Iraq to help out his country.

"He made the ultimate sacrifice for us," Pendergraft said.

Blanco-Caldas had several plans for life when he returned from Iraq, ranging from police officer to minister.

"He was a young man who was full of life and had a lot of interests," said Blanco-Caldas' uncle, Jose Caldas. "He would've been able to do whatever he wanted."

Blanco-Caldas had planned to marry Michelle Sorrel of McKinney, Texas, this coming June.

The Caldas family has set up a memorial scholarship in remembrance of Blanco-Caldas. The family would like to use the scholarship to help Hispanic students who are interested in music and joining the Corps of Cadets attend A&M.

"He may be gone physically, but we'll never forget him," said Blanco-Caldas' aunt and godmother Joan Maymi of Sandy, Utah. "I'm hoping that he's playing that guitar up there right now, forming some type of Christian jazz band."

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