

Atlanta Fine Arts League displays portraits of fallen Georgia Soldiers at memorial

The Atlanta Fine Arts League has organized a project to memorialize Georgia Soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The project, Art From the Heart, is enlisting the help of professional artists who volunteer to create and donate framed oil portraits of Georgia Soldiers killed in action to their Families. Some of the portraits will be displayed at a non-profit exhibition planned for Sept. 8 through Oct.

31 at the National Museum of Patriotism in Mid-town Atlanta with an opening reception Sept. 8 at 2 p.m. The reception honors the Georgia Soldiers and their Families for the sac-



Portrait by Ashley Pittman
Sgt. Ronnie Lee Shelley, Sr., 34, of Valdosta, died in Iraq July 30, 2005.

rifices they have made for the country.

Georgia military and civic leaders are scheduled to speak. Admission to the museum is free and the reception is open to the public. Parking is free and located across the street at the William Breman Jewish Museum.

Families of Georgia Soldiers lost in Iraq or Afghanistan who want to participate can call Geri Zaki, coordinator, at 770-979-3044 or visit the Web

site at www.atlantafineartsleague.org.

Many of the completed portraits are visible at www.atlantafineartsleague.org/artfromtheheart.html.