



In March 2003, Major Pete "Oly" Jahns perished in a T-38 aircraft accident during a training mission at Randolph AFB in San Antonio, TX. His death in the line of duty occurred while serving on Inactive Duty Training (IDT).



His son, Alex, was 4 years old at the time of the accident and is seen in the photo on the left held by Pete's father while they wait for the missing man formation to fly by. His daughter, Allison was 3 years old at the time and is seen in the photo on the right being comforted by Pete's widow, Rhonda Jahns.



The family is pictured here ten years later in 2013 during a building dedication in honor of Pete. This ceremony was used as an opportunity to pay tribute to Pete for his children who were now 13 and 14 years old and had no memory of their father being honored at his memorial service following the accident in 2003.



Pete's surviving family received one of the 95 letters sent by the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) in January 2012 stating a **"significant error"** was made when accounting for their loved one's administrative pay status at the time of his death. As a result, they lost the survivor benefit payments and other key benefits the family had counted on for the previous 9 years.