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Canton Resident to Appear on NOW

Mother Peggy Buryj hopes for answers from U.S. Army regarding her son’s death

KENT, Ohio — Nov. 15, 2006 — Dozens of families say the military has misled them about how their loved ones died, and the U.S. Army has officially acknowledged seven instances of misinformation. In the most high-profile case, the Army is finishing its fourth investigation into the death of former pro football player Pat Tillman in Afghanistan two years ago. This time, they are investigating to see if facts were intentionally covered up. But Tillman is not the only disturbing case. On Nov. 17 at 8:30 p.m. on PBS 45 & 49, NOW talks to the mother of Army Pfc. Jesse Buryj, reportedly killed by friendly fire in Iraq. In the midst of NOW’s second investigation, the Army will deliver its report to Peggy Buryj, a Canton resident, on Friday.

“They have two options: to tell me who killed my son, or to have a very good reason why they can’t figure it out,” Buryj tells NOW. “Those are their only two options. And one will not be acceptable.”

NOW’s David Brancaccio also will interview Tyler Drumheller, a 25-year veteran of the Central Intelligence Agency for his insight into past intelligence blunders and what anti-terrorism tactics we can expect from the CIA moving forward.

Starting this Friday, the NOW Web site at www.pbs.org/now will present more of NOW’s interview with Peggy Buryj as well as a Web-exclusive NOW on the News interview with U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel from New York on his upcoming chairmanship and expectations for the Democratic-led Congress. The program repeats on PBS 45 & 49 on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 2 p.m.

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