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### Forks residents stung by agent's shooting

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**FORKS TWP.** | The Forks Township supervisors held a moment of silence Thursday night in memory of Barry Lee Bush, the FBI special agent who was shot and killed Thursday.

The 52-year-old Bush, his wife and two children moved into their Forks neighborhood, off Zucksville Road, in 1992, according to a neighbor.

Bush's wife Karen and daughter Jennifer work at a local bank. Bush's son is a college student, a neighbor said.

Visibly upset, Zoning Officer Tim Weis left the supervisors meeting following the moment of silence, saying Bush was a close friend.

About five unmarked cars with New Jersey license plates surrounded the family home Thursday afternoon and remained there into the evening. The cars' occupants went door to door informing residents about the morning's tragedy.

"He's the nicest guy you'd meet," said a neighbor, who didn't want his name published. Neighbors with teary eyes said they were instructed by the FBI not to talk to the media.

Supervisor Donald Miller said Bush and his family were members of the township's fitness center. Miller said he had just seen Bush at the community center Wednesday night.

"He was well liked by everyone," Miller said. "(They are) a very nice family."

Bush joined the FBI in August 1987, serving in Kansas City, Mo. He was transferred to the Newark office in 1991. From April 1993 to November 1998, he was a team leader on the Newark Evidence Response Team.

In 1998, Bush was sent to Nairobi, Kenya, to investigate the crime scene around the U.S. embassy bombing, according to federal court transcripts from U.S. District Court in New York. The attacks and others in East Africa were linked to members of the al Qaeda terrorist network headed by Osama bin Laden.

In March 2001, according to the federal court transcript, Bush was called as a witness in a trial against bin Laden and other defendants for their roles in the bombing.

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