

# Granby Funeral Honors National Guard Flier

GRANBY — As four Air National Guard jets roared overhead in tribute, about 200 friends, family members and guardsmen attended a military funeral Monday for Maj. John S. Southrey, a Granby resident killed when two jet fighters collided during training maneuvers in the Adirondacks.

Southrey, 32, a former Air Force fighter instructor, was killed in the crash Wednesday about 50 miles north of Albany, N.Y. The pilot of the other plane, Capt. Michael Kohut of Chicopee, Mass., parachuted from his plane and suffered back injuries.

The Fairchild A-10 Thunderbolt jets, stationed at the 104th Tactical Fighter Group of the Massachusetts

Air National Guard in Westfield, Mass., were headed for Fort Drum near Watertown, N.Y.

In tribute to Southrey, four fellow pilots flew their Thunderbolt jets over the West Granby United Methodist Church during the 10 a.m. service. Southrey's body was to be flown today to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., where he will be buried Wednesday, Lt. Col. Thomas Astaldi said. Sixty members of the 104th Tactical Fighter Group will fly to the academy today to attend Wednesday's memorial service, he said.

Members of other Air National Guard units are still investigating the accident.