

University of Kentucky Baseball Cap, 2001



In Afghanistan, members of Special Forces were advised to blend in with the local population. To this end, they were authorized to wear a pakol, a hat common in northern Afghanistan and popularized by Ahmad Shah Massoud. Special Forces teams were also authorized to wear ball caps. Sergeant Peter M. Angelove saw an opportunity to express his state pride by wearing this University of Kentucky baseball cap. He wore the hat so often that his Afghan team members came to know him simply as "Kentucky."

Donated by Peter M. Angelove, 2002.43.13

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