

U.S. ARMY SONG

March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free.

Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory.

We're the Army and proud of our name!

We're the Army and proudly proclaim:

First to fight for the right,

And to build the Nation's might,

And the Army goes rolling along.

Proud of all we have done,

Fighting till the battle's won,

And the Army goes rolling along.

Then it's hi! hi! hey!

The Army's on its way.

Count off the cadence loud and strong;

For where'er we go,

You will always know

That the Army goes rolling along.

WO1 PINNING CEREMONY

in honor of

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS
DEWAYNE WEST JR

&

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS
RUSSELL B. PATTERSON



JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
FRIDAY
20 SEPTEMBER 2024
1:00 P.M.



SERGEANT FIRST CLASS DEWAYNE WEST JR.

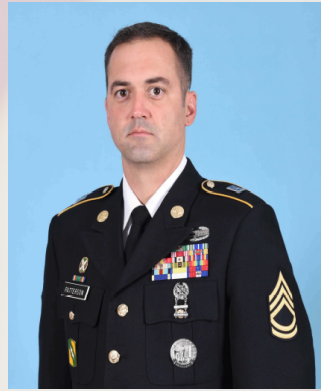
Sergeant First Class Dewayne West Jr. was born in Fort Sill, OK and enlisted in the Mississippi National Guard on December 22, 2011. He Completed Basic Training at Fort Jackson, SC in 2012. He completed Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, GA in 2013. He graduated from Purdue University Global in 2021 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Liberal Studies. SFC West currently serves as the Warrant Officer Strength Manager for the Warrant Officer Candidate Accessions Program in Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

His previous assignments include Signal Support Systems Specialist, 210th Finance Battalion; Signal Support Systems Sergeant, 1-98th Cavalry Regiment; Human Resource Specialist, Joint Force Headquarters; Human Resource Sergeant, 2-198th Combined Arms Battalion; Human Resource Sergeant, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne); Human Resource Sergeant, Joint Force Headquarters; Senior Human Resource Sergeant, 1-204th Air Defense Artillery Battalion.

SFC West's military education includes Warrior Leaders Course, Advance Leaders Course, Seniors Leaders Course, Airborne School, and Warrant Officer Candidate School.

His award and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Army Achievement Medal (2nd Award), Army Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal ("M" Device), Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (3rd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Parachutist Badge, Mississippi Medal of Efficiency, Mississippi War Medal, Mississippi Service School Medal (2nd Award), and the Mississippi Longevity Medal (2nd Award).

He is currently married and lives in Brandon, Mississippi with his wife Isha, son Dewayne West III (1), and two small dogs.



SERGEANT FIRST CLASS RUSSELL B. PATTERSON

Sergeant First Class (SFC) Russell (Brett) Patterson was born in Hattiesburg, MS and enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard in December 2001. He completed Basic Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in July 2002. He completed Man-Portable Air Defense System Crewmember (14M) AIT at Fort Bliss, Texas in September 2002. SFC Patterson currently serves as the Marine Deck Warrant Officer for Headquarters Company,

184th Expeditionary Sustainment Command in Monticello, MS.

His previous military assignments include Battery E, 204th Air Defense Artillery Battalion, Hernando, MS, Troop A, 98th Cavalry, Hernando, MS, A Co, 2-198th Combined Arms Battalion, Hernando, MS, A Troop 1-98 Cavalry, Pontotoc, MS, HHC 1-138th INF Regiment, Kansas City, Missouri, 1st Armor Training Battalion, Camp Shelby, MS, D Troop, 1-98 Cavalry, Batesville, MS, Joint Force Headquarters, MSARNG, Jackson, MS and 66th Troop Command, Jackson, MS.

SFC Patterson's leadership positions include Armor Crewmember Platoon Sergeant, State Partnership Program NCOIC, Course Manager for all Cavalry Scout Programs of Instruction, 1st Armor Training Battalion Quality Assurance Officer, Cavalry Scout Section Sergeant, and Cavalry Scout Team Leader.

His military education includes Warrant Officer Candidate School, NCO PME through Master Leader Course, M2A3 Bradley Fighting Vehicle Master Gunner, Scout Commander Certification Course, Tank Commander Certification Course, Small UAS (Raven) Operator Course, Unit Movement Officer Deployment Planning Course, Infantry Transition Course, 19D Cavalry Scout Reclassification Course.

SFC Patterson's awards and decorations include; Army Commendation Medal (7th Award), Army Achievement Medal (3rd Award), Air Force Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (4th Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (4th Award), National Defense Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (4th Award), Overseas Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal ("M" Device), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal (Bronze Campaign Star), Mississippi Magnolia Medal (2nd Award), Mississippi Emergency Service Medal, Mississippi Service School Medal, Mississippi War Medal, Combat Action Badge, Master Gunner Identification Badge, Senior Army Instructor Badge, Basic Army Instructor Badge as well as numerous other awards and decorations.

He is married to Amanda Backes of Milwaukee, WI. They have resided in Madison, MS since 2022 and have four children between the two of them: Kemper (17), Jase (11), Payton (8) and Piper (8).



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INTRODUCTION OF
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REMARKS

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