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COMMAND SGT. MAJ. BRADFORD L. SMITH

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR



Command Sgt. Maj. Bradford L. Smith was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, and entered the United States Army on Dec. 1, 1993. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and received his Advanced Individual Training as a CH-47 Medium Helicopter Repairer at Ft. Eustis, Virginia, in June 1994.

Command Sgt. Maj. Smith began his career as a CH-47 Phase Team Member and progressed to serving as a flight engineer on both CH-47 D and F models, squad leader, section sergeant, aircraft maintenance supervisor, senior drill sergeant, battalion operations sergeant, detachment sergeant, first sergeant, aviation operations chief, senior aircraft maintenance manager, squadron command sergeant major, and the commandant of a noncommissioned officer academy.

Command Sgt. Maj. Smith's military education includes the CH-47 Medium Helicopter Repairers Course, the Warrior Leader Course, the Advance Leader Course, the Senior Leader Course, First Sergeant Course and the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Class 65. His military training includes battalion, brigade and Aviation pre-command courses, Drill Sergeant Academy, Airborne Course, Pathfinder Course, Air Assault Course, Air Crew Life Support Course, Modern Army Combatives Levels I and II, and Equal Opportunity Leaders Course. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College's Nominative Leader Course. Smith has earned an Associate of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry Riddle University and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from Excelsior College. Smith is also a graduate of the National Defense University Keystone Leader Course. He is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in American History from American Military University.

Command Sgt. Maj. Smith's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star (2nd award), Meritorious Service Medal (5th award), Air Medal with "V" Device, Air Medal (Numeral 5), Army Commendation Medal (10th award), Army Achievement Medal (6th award), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Good Conduct Medal (8th award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Korean Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (2 tours), Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Ribbon (2nd award), NCO Development Ribbon (numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral 6), the NATO Medal, Combat Action Badge, Master Aviation Badge, Airborne Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge and the Driver Mechanics Badge. He has also been awarded the Honorable Order of Saint George and the Honorable Order of Saint Michael (Silver Award).

