

Sergeant Major James G. Hash
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SGM Hash began his career in March 1988 as a Lance/MLRS Fire Direction Specialist attending Basic Training and Advance Individual Training at Fort Sill, OK. SGM Hash assignments were with the 4-12 Field Artillery Battalion (LANCE) in Crailshiem, Germany from August 1988 to June 1991 serving as a Battalion Fire Direction specialist and Computer Operator, 2-12 Field Artillery Battalion (LANCE) in HERZO Base, Germany from June 1991 to March 1992 serving as a Computer Operator, 3-27 Field Artillery Regiment MLRS at Fort Bragg, NC from April 1992 to May 1994 serving as a Computer Operator, Supply Sergeant, Section Chief, and Platoon Sergeant. From June 1994 to November 1997 SGM Hash served as a United States Army Field Recruiter in Warwick, RI.

In January 1998, SGM Hash was assigned to Alpha Battery 94th Field Artillery (MLRS), First Armored Division Baumholder, Germany serving as a Section Chief and Platoon Sergeant until the activation of the 1st Battalion 94th Field Artillery (MLRS) in March 2000 at Idar Oberstein, Germany where he served as the Battalion Intelligence Sergeant and Operations Sergeant.

In May 2003, the Division deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served as the Battalion Operations Sergeant, Charlie Battery First Sergeant and Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery First Sergeant. The Battalion redeployed to Germany in July 2004 where he continued to serve as the Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery First Sergeant until August 2006. In August, 2006 SGM Hash was reassigned to the First Armored Division Artillery and served as the Fire Support Element Operations Sergeant Major until June 2007.

In July 2008, SGM Hash served as the Battalion Operations Sergeant Major for the 5th Battalion 3rd Field Artillery (HIMARS) at Fort Lewis, WA until the Battalion deployed in October 2009 as Engineer Route Clearance in support of Operation Enduring Freedom throughout Afghanistan. During the deployment SGM Hash served as the Operations Sergeant Major for the J3, United States Forces Afghanistan South/Southwest until September 2010. In December 2010, was re-assigned to his current duty as the Sergeant Major, U.S. Army Rapid Equipping Force.

SGM Hash has attended every NCOES school and is a graduate of the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy Class 58. He is also a graduate of the Army Recruiter Course, Department of Defense Security Specialist Course, NATO Conventional Arms Control Implementation and Orientation Course, Anti-Terrorism Force Protection Level II Course, NCO Battle Staff Course, and First Sergeant Course.

SGM Hash's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (one Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (six Oak Leaf Clusters), and the Army Good Conduct Medal (seventh Award). He earned the Valorous Unit Award and Meritorious Unit Commendation while serving with the First Armored Division in combat operations during Operation Iraqi Freedom I. His badges include the Army Gold Recruiter Badge with two Star Sapphires, and the Wheeled and Track Drivers Badge.

SGM Hash and his wife Dorothea have one son and two daughters, Nicolas (14) and Rebecca (9), and Noelle (3).