

United States Army
Brigade CSM
Robert M. Keith

Command Sergeant Major
189th Infantry Brigade
First Army Division West



Command Sergeant Major Robert M. Keith began his service at FT Benning, Georgia in One Station Unit Training with Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment graduating in March of 1994 as an 11M Infantryman.

Command Sergeant Major Keith has held a variety of duty positions throughout his career ranging from Riflemen, M249 Squad Automatic Rifleman, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Driver, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Gunner, Team Leader, Squad Leader, Weapons Squad Leader, Section Sergeant, Master Gunner, Platoon Sergeant, Operations Sergeant, Rifle Company First Sergeant, HHC First Sergeant, Squadron Operation Sergeant Major, Brigade Operation Sergeant Major, and Command Sergeant Major.

His initial assignment was to Fort Knox, Kentucky with the 194th Armored Brigade, where he served with 4th Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Battalion, 33rd Armor Regiment, and finally with the 4th Squadron, 16th Cavalry Regiment. He was then assigned overseas to Vilseck, Germany with 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment. Next, Command Sergeant Major Keith was transferred to Fort Stewart, Georgia, where he served with the 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 4th Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment and 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment. This was followed by an assignment to Fort Bliss, Texas with the 1st Squadron, 13th Cavalry Regiment and later to the 3rd Brigade Headquarters. three command assignments were with 2d Battalion, 34th Armor at Fort Riley, KS, 1st Battalion, 393rd INF Regiment at Fort Hood, TX and Joint Task Force Bravo, Soto Cano Air Base, Honduras. His operational deployments include five tours in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn and Operation Inherent Resolve. In addition, he deployed to Bosnia, Herzegovina (SFOR), Kosovo (KFOR) and Kuwait in support of Operation Spartan Shield.

Command Sergeant Major Keith is a graduate of every NCOES school from Basic Leader Course to the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy Non-Residence Course (Class 39). He is also a graduate of the Senior Instructor Operator Course, Unit Conduct of Fire Trainer, Combat Life Saver Course, Combative, Level I and Level II, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Organizational Maintenance Course, Defense Reutilization/Marketing System, and Air Assault School.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (4th Award), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (5th Award), Army Commendation Medal (2nd Award), Army Achievement Medal (12th Award), Good Conduct Medal (7th Award), National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal with seven Campaign Stars, Kosovo Campaign Medal with one Bronze Campaign Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (Numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (Numeral 5), NATO Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Valorous Unit Award, Army Meritorious Unit Citation, Army Superior Unit Award, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Driver's Badge, Gold German Proficiency Badge, Silver German Marksmanship Badge, and the Air Assault Badge. He is also a recipient of the National Infantry Association's Order of Saint Maurice (Centurion), the Noble Patron of Armor and the distinguished Sergeant Audie Murphy Club.