

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR SAM K. YOUNG

Command Sergeant Major of the Field Artillery

Sam K. Young entered the Army in May 1986. He completed Basic and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Okla.

Young's assignments include gunner, 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery, Fort Drum, N.Y.; section chief, 6th Battalion, 8th Field Artillery, Fort Ord, Calif.; section chief, 1st Battalion, 4th Field Artillery, Camp Pelham, Korea; gunnery sergeant, 1st Battalion, 39th Airborne Field Artillery, Fort Bragg, N.C.; platoon sergeant, 1st Battalion, 321st Airborne Field Artillery, Fort Bragg, N.C.; platoon sergeant, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, Fort Benning, Ga.; observer controller, Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, La.; first sergeant, 1st Squadron, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Polk; first sergeant, 5th Battalion, 25th Field Artillery, Fort Polk; senior FS observer controller, Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk; command sergeant major, 3rd Battalion, 6th Field Artillery, Fort Drum, N.Y.; command sergeant major for 1st Battalion, 78th Field Artillery and command sergeant major for the 75th Fires Brigade Fort Sill.

His deployments include: Operation Golden Pheasant in Honduras; Operation Just Cause in Panama; Operation Desert Thunder in Kuwait; Operation Iraqi Freedom I and Operation Iraqi Freedom 07-08.

Young is a graduate of every NCOES school from Warrior Leader Course to the Sergeants Major Course (Class #56). He is also a graduate of the Force Management Course, the First Sergeant Course, Airborne School, Jumpmaster School, Air Assault School, Master Fitness School, Combat Life Saver and NBC School.

Young's awards and decorations include: Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (with one oak leaf cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with three OLC), Army Commendation Medal (with six OLC), Army Achievement Medal (with seven OLC), Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Outstanding Volunteer Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Air Assault Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, German Parachutist Badge, and the Combat Action Badge.

Young is married to the former Rhonda R. Williams of Caddo Mills, Texas and they have three children.