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FORT SILL, OK — The United States Army Field Artillery School (USAFAS) Commandant, chief of the Field Artillery and Deputy Commanding General of Fort Sill, Col. Phil Brooks will receive his promotion to brigadier general in front of Soldiers and staff at the Old Post Quadrangle this Friday, September 11 at 9:00 a.m.

Originally a Fayetteville, Tenn., native Brooks received his commission in the Field Artillery Corps from the University of Memphis in 1993. He earned a Master's Degree in Military Arts and Sciences from the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Brooks served in Germany from 1994-1997 and deployed to Bosnia for Operation Joint Endeavour. Upon completion of the Field Artillery Captains Career Course here at Fort Sill, he served in numerous positions at Fort Benning, Ga., and at the National Training Center in Fort Irwin, Calif.

Brooks has deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, commanding battalions in both Iraq and Afghanistan. He deployed in support of Atlantic Resolve in Eastern Europe as a Brigade Commander from 2015 to 2017. Before arriving back to Fort Sill to assume responsibility of USAFAS he served as the Deputy Commanding General – Maneuver at Fort Riley.

Lt Gen. James Rainey, Commanding General for the U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth will present the one-star rank of brigadier general to Brooks in the ceremony.

“It’s a privilege to have someone of Phil Brooks’ caliber on this great Team of Teams here at Fort Sill. This is a well-deserved promotion for a leader who imbues a culture of values, fitness, resiliency, and the pursuit of excellence in the fundamentals”, states Maj. Gen Ken Kamper, Commanding General of the Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill.

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