

First Sergeant Kanisha S. Evans, a native of Michigan, enlisted in the U.S. Army in August 1996. She attended Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Her first duty assignment was Hohenfels, Germany, where she was assigned to the 282nd Base Support Battalion as an Administrative Specialist. She was then assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, Regimental Support Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Irwin, California, where she was assigned as a Personnel Specialist. During her tour there, she was awarded the Order of the Spur for her demonstrated skills, discipline and fitness level. In 2000, she was reassigned to Fort Carson, Colorado, where she was assigned to the 4th Engineer Battalion, the 64th Forward Support Battalion, and the 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, as a Senior Human Resources Sergeant. While assigned to the 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, she was awarded the Combat Action Badge while deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. She was then assigned to Fort Gordon, Georgia, where she served as an Assistant Inspector General for the Signal Center of Excellence and First Sergeant of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison. In 2010, she was reassigned to Fort Bliss, Texas, were she served as the 32nd Army Air and Missile Defense Command G1 Senior Human Resources Sergeant.

First Sergeant Evans' military education includes the Manager's Development Course; Supervisor's Development Course; Warrior Leaders Course; Advanced Leaders Course and Senior Leaders Course; Inspector General Course; and the First Sergeant Course. She has earned an Associate's Degree in Business Administration and Bachelor's Degree in Resource and Technology Management from Troy University.

First Sergeant Evans' awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (1 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (Silver OLC), Good Conduct Medal (5th Knot Device), National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (#3 Device), Overseas Service Ribbon (#2 Device). She was also awarded the Driver's Badge – Wheeled, the Combat Action Badge and is a recipient of the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara and the Major General Horatio Gates Bronze Medal and is an active member of the prestigious Sergeant Audie Murphy Club.