



CSM JULIO CANDELARIO

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Command Sergeant Major Julio Candelario enlisted in the United States Army on the 3rd of January, 1986 as a Fire Support Specialist (13F). He attended One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Charley Battery, 4th Training Battalion, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He served in a wide variety of positions beginning as a Tracked and Wheel Vehicle Driver, Fire Support Specialist, Forward Observer, Fire Support Liaison Sergeant, COLT Team Sergeant, Brigade COLT Team Chief, Army Detailed Recruiter, Division Tactical Operations Center Fire Support Sergeant, Company, Battalion, and Brigade Fire Support Sergeant, Deep Operations Coordination Cell Fire Support Sergeant, Intelligence Sergeant, Division Main Fire Support Sergeant, Senior Instructor for the Observer Controller Academy at NTC, Senior Combat Development

Staff NCO, First Sergeant, Field Artillery Training Center Detachment Sergeant Major, 1st Battalion, 22nd Field Artillery CSM, 1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery CSM, and currently the WHINSEC Command Sergeant Major.

CSM Candelario stateside assignments include; Fort Hood Texas, Fort Campbell Kentucky, Fort Stewart Georgia, Fort Irwin California, Fort Bliss Texas, Fort Sill Oklahoma, and Fort Benning Georgia. His overseas assignments include; Camp Page Korea, Camp Yong in Korea, and Fort Buchanan Puerto Rico. CSM Candelario served combat tours during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm and during Operation Southern Watch.

His military education includes all NCOES Courses from the Warrior Leaders Course to the Sergeants Major Academy, Class 54. He also completed courses like the TACFIRE Course, Air Assault Course, Airborne Course, Recruiter Course, Battle Staff NCO Course, Observer Controller Course, Instructor Course, and the First Sergeant Course. Other professional development courses include; Action Officer Development Course, Supervisor Development Course, Manager Development Course, Cadre Training Course, Commander's Safety Course, and the Fundamentals of Acquisition Systems Management Course.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (5th Award), Army Commendation Medal (6th Award), Army Achievement Medal (3rd Award), Good Conduct Medal, (5th Award), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star, Southwest Asia Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Liberation of Kuwait Service Medal from Kuwait, Kuwait Liberation Medal from Saudi Arabia, Korea Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon with Numeral 2, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon with Numeral 4, Airborne Badge, Air Assault Badge, Gold Recruiter Badge with three Sapphire Gold Stars, Gold Recruiter's Ring, and the Wheel Vehicle Driver's Badge. He is also a recipient of the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara's Medal.

CSM Candelario civilian education includes an Associates Degree in Business Administration, a Bachelors Degree in Liberal Arts, and a Masters Degree in Management and Leadership.

CSM Candelario currently lives in the Columbus, Georgia, community with his wife and his daughter.