

Major General Gary J. Volesky Commanding General 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault) Fort Campbell, KY



Major General Gary J. Volesky is the Commanding General of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell.

MG Volesky is an Infantry officer who has commanded Soldiers at all levels up to division. His commands include: Commander, D Company, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 8<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 8<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division; Commander, D Company (Long Range Surveillance), 533d Military Intelligence Battalion, 3d Armored Division that included deployment in support of OPERATION DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM; Commander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 5<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division, that included deployment in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM II; Commander 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division, that included deployment in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM II; commander of Joint Forces Command-United Assistance in support of OPERATION UNITED ASSISTANCE, the U.S. military's response to the Ebola epidemic in West Africa.

MG Volesky's other assignments include: Chief, U.S. Army Public Affairs, HQDA, Washington D.C.; Deputy Commanding General (Operations), 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division and Combined Joint Task Force-1 during OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM 11-12; Deputy Chief of Staff, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas and Multi-National Corps-Iraq during OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM 06-08; Chief, Infantry Doctrine Division, Fort Benning, Georgia; and platoon leader, battalion liaison officer, battalion operations officer, and senior Regimental liaison officer in multiple units within the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment.

MG Volesky is a graduate of the US Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, as well as the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He holds a Bachelor's degree from Eastern Washington University and a Masters degree from Princeton University.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (4 OLC), Purple Heart, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (1 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC), National Defense Service Medal (1 bronze star), Southwest Asia Service Medal (3 bronze stars), Afghan Campaign Medal (2 bronze stars), Iraq Campaign Medal (3 bronze stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Overseas Service Ribbon (5<sup>th</sup> Award).

Major General Volesky is happily married, and they are the proud parents of a son.