

## **Command Sergeant Major Wesley W. Townsend Battalion Command Sergeant Major**

Command Sergeant Major Wesley W. Townsend is a native of Amelia, Virginia and he enlisted in the United States Army in September 2000 as a 63S Heavy Wheeled Mechanic.

Command Sergeant Major Townsend attended basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

In his 21 years of service, Command Sergeant Major Townsend has served as: Senior Mechanic, Platoon Sergeant, Motor Sergeant, SPO Maintenance NCO, AIT Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, Senior Aviation Operations NCOIC, Department Sergeant Major, Ordnance School Directorate of Training Sergeant Major, and Battalion Command Sergeant Major.

Command Sergeant Major Townsend's stateside assignments include: Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia; Fort Lee, Virginia; Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Fort Bliss, Texas; and Fort Knox, KY. His overseas assignments include: Grafenwoehr, Germany; Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii; and Vilseck, Germany. SGM Townsend has deployed to Iraq (2), Afghanistan, and Poland to support combat and peacekeeping operations.

Command Sergeant Major Townsend's military education includes Basic Leaders Course, Advanced Leaders Course, Senior Leaders Course, AIT Platoon Sergeant Course, Master Resilience Trainer Course, SHARP Course, Equal Opportunity Leaders Course, Senior Maintenance Supervisor Course, Commander/First Sergeants Course, and Sergeants Majors Course (Class 71). SGM Townsend is a graduate of Excelsior College with a Bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts.

Command Sergeant Major's awards and decorations include: Meritorious Service Medal (4rd Award), Army Commendation Medal (8th Award), Army Achievement Medal (4th Award), Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, NCO Professional/ Development Ribbon with a number five, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral five, NATO Medal and Driver/Mechanic Badge.