

Command Sergeant Major Joseph Franco



CSM Joseph Franco was born on 29 April 1981 in Colombia, South America. He graduated from MacArthur Senior High School in June 2000 and entered the United States Army on 30 June 2000; attending basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia and advanced individual training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Upon graduation from AIT holding the MOS of 91B (68W), Medical Specialist, he returned to Fort Benning, Georgia for Airborne School.

CSM Franco has served in every leadership position from Team Leader to Command Sergeant Major. He also served as a Joint Planning and Assistance Team (JPAT) NCOIC and Senior Medical Advisor for a Field Training Team in South America

CSM Franco's previous assignments include the 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he deployed to Afghanistan as a Combat medic; the McAfee health Clinic in White Sands Missile range, New Mexico, as Squad Leader; 4/25th Parachute Infantry Regiment in Fort Richardson, Alaska, where he served as a Platoon Sergeant with a 15-month deployment to Iraq; Alaska Warrior Transition Unit, where he served as Cadre; 31st CSH, Fort Bliss Texas, where he served as a Platoon Sergeant with a 12-month deployment to Afghanistan as the Emergency Room NCOIC. He was nominated for a special assignment with the Security Assistance Team Management Organization stationed out of Fort Bragg, NC with duty to Peru, South America. In Peru he served as the NCOIC and senior medical advisor for a seven-man JPAT which trained elite Peruvian Counter NARCO Terrorism Security Forces. He has served as the Charlie Company 123rd BSB 1SG for over 3 years where he deployed to Rwanda, Africa, and Kuwait. He served as a Facilitator for two years at USASMA for both the resident and nonresident Master Leaders Course on Ft. Bliss, TX; served as the Chief Medical NCO at Landstuhl Regional MEDCEN and is currently the CSM for the 29th Hospital Center on JBLM.

CSM Franco's, military education includes: All levels of NCOES up to the Sergeants Major Course (Class 70), US Army Combatives Instructor, Faculty Development Program 1,2, &3, Common Faculty Development Instructor and Developers Course (CFDP-IC&DC), and Security Assistance Training Orientation Course.

His awards include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (1 silver OLC), Army Commendation medal (1 silver OLC and 1 bronze OLC), Army Achievement medal (3 OLC), Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Non-commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Service Ribbon, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (1 star), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary medal (2 star), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Gold), Combat Medic Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Basic Army Instructor Badge, and the prestigious Sergeant Audie Murphy medallion (USARAK Far North Chapter), and the Order of Military Medical Merit.

CSM Franco currently holds a Bachelor of Science in Health Science-Public Health-Health Education from Trident University, a Master of Arts in Leadership Studies from the University of Texas El Paso, and a certificate in Small Business and Entrepreneurship from Phoenix University. He is married to Charity Franco and has three daughters, Hailey (21), Khyline (17) and Violet (3).