

Biography



Mr David Clay

Pilot, Aviation Detachment

U.S. Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights"

Personal Statistics

Hometown: Fayetteville, North Carolina

School Attended: Seventy-First High School

Biographical Sketch

Mr. David D Clay, Jr., is a Department of the Army Civillian serving on the Team as a pilot in the Aviation Detachment.

Mr. Clay enlisted into the Army in 1982 and after serving several years as an enlisted Soldier he was selected for Warrant Officer Course and subsequently flight school. CW5 Clay's past assignments include 82nd Finance Company, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; 6th Aviation Training Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade, Fort Rucker, Alabama; Company C, 82nd Aviation Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Headquarters Troop 1st Squadron (Air), 17th Cavalry, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Company A, 5th Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment, Maurice Rose Army Heliport, Frankfurt, Germany; Company B, 6th Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia; North Carolina Operational Support Airlift Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Company D, U.S. Army Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Kobbe, Panama; Fort Belvoir Regional Flight Center, Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Company A, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion, Camp Humphries, Korea; Company B, 2nd Battalion, 228th Aviation Regiment, Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Georgia; culminating his service to the Nation with over 4 years as the Standardization Officer and Fixed Wing Pilot for the United States Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights" Fort Bragg, North Carolina.



He has earned many awards and distinctions such as the Army Commendation Medal (four oak leaf clusters) and the Army Achievement Medal (four oak leaf clusters). He is a Master Aviator and has earned the parachutist badge, air assault badge and is a jungle expert.

Mr Clay has also earned an Associate of Science degree and a Bachelors of Science degree in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida.

