

U.S. ARMY SONG

*March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free.
Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory.
We're the Army and proud of our name!
We're the Army and proudly proclaim:*

*First to fight for the right,
And to build the Nation's might,
And the Army goes rolling along.
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army goes rolling along.*

*Then it's hi! hi! hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong;
For where'er we go,
You will always know
That the Army goes rolling along.*



SCAN TO VIEW
DIGITAL PROGRAM

RETIREMENT CEREMONY

in honor of

MAJOR
JACOB CARPENTER



JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
THURSDAY
26 JUNE 2025
2:00 P.M.



MAJOR JACOB CARPENTER

Major Jacob Carpenter will retire after more than 22 years of distinguished service to the Mississippi Army National Guard, the United States Army, and our nation. When 9/11 occurred during his senior year of high school, it confirmed his decision to follow in the military footsteps of his father (a retired Army Captain) and grandfather (a retired Air Force Master Sergeant) and he joined the Army as a medic two days after his 18th birthday in August of 2002.

MAJ Carpenter's duty assignments include the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 321st Field Artillery Regiment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; the 9th Battalion (Support), 101st Aviation, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, KY; Operational Detachment- Alpha 7313 and Operational Detachment-Bravo 7310, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Operational Detachment-Alpha 2235, C Company, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne), MSARNG; Forward Support Company and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne), MSARNG; and the Mississippi Army National Guard Medical Detachment.

MAJ Carpenter has deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from 2008-2009 and 2009-2010; and Operation Inherent Resolve in 2017-2018 and 2019.

Major Carpenter graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2007 as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant. He later graduated from the Interservice Physician Assistant Program and received his commission in 2016, with follow-on medical training including the Flight Surgeon Course, the Joint Hyperbaric Medical Officer Course, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Diver Course.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Special Forces Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Flight Surgeon Badge.

Jacob attributes his success to the unwavering support of his family, especially his wife of 21 years, Becky, who he had the privilege to serve alongside for 13 years. Jake and Becky have two sons, Judah and John.



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