

## **CSM Jerry L. Dodson Jr.**

CSM Jerry L. Dodson is a native of Elsmore, KS. He entered the US Army on 28 June 1995, and completed OSUT at Ft Benning, Georgia.

CSM Dodson's assignments have included Rifleman, Team Leader, Section Leader and Platoon Sergeant, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ranger Battalion, 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, GA, Senior Military Instructor at Marshall University in Huntington, WV, First Sergeant, HHC 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry, First Sergeant, Cco 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry, First Sergeant, C Troop, 1-4 CAV, First Sergeant, HHC, 4<sup>th</sup> IBCT, Operations Sergeant Major, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 28<sup>th</sup> Infantry, Fort Riley, KS, Operations Sergeant Major, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Infantry, Fort Carson, CO.

CSM Dodson has completed all levels of NCOES, and is a graduate of the USASMA (Class 63). His military education includes Ranger School, Airborne, Pathfinder, Air Assault, Jumpmaster, SERE Level C, and Mountain Warfare School (Summer and Winter Phases). His civilian education includes an Associate's Degree in General Studies from Marshall University and Bachelor of Science Degree from Excelsior College. CSM Dodson has participated in numerous combat deployments to include four tours in Iraq and five tours in Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terror.

CSM Dodson's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (3 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, (4 OLC), Army Good Conduct Medal (6th Award), National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three stars, Iraq Campaign Medal with three Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal with arrowhead device, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (w/ numeral 4 attached), NATO Service Medal (Afghanistan), Army Service Ribbon, and the Overseas Service Ribbon. CSM Dodson has also earned the Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge with Combat Jump Device, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Expert Infantryman's Badge, and the Order of St. Maurice (Centurion).

CSM Dodson is married to the former Kimberly Rouse, and has two children; Kyley and Kaitlyn.