

MANEUVER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE  
HENRY CARO  
NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY

# Maneuver Senior Leaders Course



GRADUATION CEREMONY  
CLASS 004-25  
01 August 2025

“STANDARDS AND DISCIPLINE”

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SENIOR INSTRUCTOR

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SSG ATTWOOD, NATHAN  
SSG AUTON, ANDREW  
SSG BAILEY, DEVON  
SFC BECKER MARK  
SSG BECKETT-NEWMAN, ANTHONY  
SSG BELIEU, BRANDEN  
SFC BENFER, SAMUEL  
SSG BENOIT, BENJAMIN  
SFC BERNAL, NIELSY  
SSG BEUCH, WILLIAM  
SSG BICKERSTAFF, KEVIN  
SSG BOLDEN, ALEXANDER  
SSG BOYKINS, DEREK  
SFC BRADLEY, MASON  
SSG BREEDEN, CODY  
SFC BROWN, LAYCEN  
SFC BROWNING, TY  
SSG BRUNAIS, BLAKE  
SSG BUCHANAN, AUSTIN  
SFC BUNCH, ZACHARY  
SFC BURGE, JORDAN  
SSG CARTER, JOHNATHAN  
SSG CATANZARO, JOHN  
SSG CHASE, JASON  
SSG CHAVEZ, ALFREDO  
SSG COLE, MATTHEW  
SSG COLON, JOVANNY  
SSG CONKLE, WENDELL  
SSG COOPER, RODNEY  
SSG CRAW, ALEXANDER  
SSG CUNNINGHAM, AUSTIN  
SSG DEEN, SHAWN  
SSG DELCIDJUAREZ, ALAN  
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SSG ESPARZA, DANIEL  
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SSG FARIAS, EDUARDO  
SSG FARLIN, DMONTRAY  
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SSG GAMBOA, ANDREW  
SFC GAYDOS, BRETT  
SFC GERMAIN, ANTHONY  
SFC GILLILAND, KYLER

SSG GONZALES, MARK  
SSG GONZALEZ, CHRISTOPHER  
SSG GRAVELY, TYLER  
SFC HAMLIN, BRYAN  
SFC HANKS, SEAN  
SFC HARDISON, CAMERON  
SSG HERNANDEZ, JOHANN  
SSG HIGAREDA, NATHANIEL  
SFC HILL, WILLIAM  
SSG HODOLITZ, MATTHEW  
SFC HOFFER, DONALD  
SSG HULL, SAMUEL  
SSG JACKSON, MAURICE  
SSG JAQUEZ, JOBANY  
SFC JENKINS, SAMUEL  
SFC JOHNS, MAXMILIAN  
SFC JOHNSON, MARC  
SSG JOHNSON, ROBERT  
SFC KANEY, PERRIN  
SSG KELLEN, WYATT  
SSG KREUSER, TANNER  
SSG LACKEY, DAVID  
SSG LARSON, DARIEN  
SFC LEE, STEVON  
SFC LIANEZ, BRADLEY  
SFC LIVENGOOD, JACOB  
SFC LOPEZ, EMMRY  
SFC MACEK, MATEJ  
SSG MAXFIELD, DAREL  
SSG MCCANN, JAMES  
SFC MCCASLIN, AUSTIN  
SFC MCIVER, DANIEL  
SFC MEINTS, JAMES  
SFC MENDEZ, NAHUM  
SSG MUÑOZ, CHRISTOPHER  
SFC OBRADOVIKJ, BILJANA  
SSG OCABA, MARK  
MSG OI, YUTA  
SFC OLIVER, TAYLOR  
SSG PAPAMICHAIL, CHRISTOPHER  
SSG PARKS, MARCUS  
SSG PEREZ, MICHAEL  
SFC PERRY, ALEXANDER  
SFC PHAM, KENNY  
SSG PINGDIFIORE, MILES  
SSG PLACKE, TUCKER  
SFC PRECIADO, JAVIER  
SSG PURCELL, MATTHEW  
SFC QUERZE, DEREK  
SSG REUTER, STEPHEN  
SSG RIVERA, PEDRO  
SSG RODRIGUEZ, JONATHAN  
SSG ROJAS, ANDRES  
SFC ROSSI, TYLER  
SSG SANDERS, MATTHEW  
SSG SANVILLE, GARY PATRICK  
SFC SCHULTZ, BENJAMIN  
SSG SHRIVER, TRAVIS  
SSG SMITH, GARRETT  
SSG SMITH, WYATT  
SSG SOARES, PETER  
SSG SOOMRO, HUSSAIN  
SSG STEARNS, MARCUS  
SSG STEELE, SAMUEL  
SSG STIMSON, TANNER  
SSG SUAREZ, LORENZO  
SSG SUMMERS, CORTEZ  
SSG SWINDLE, ZACHARY  
SSG SZABO, CAMERON  
MSG TAKASHIMA, SATOSHI  
SSG TEMPLIN, JACOB  
SSG TERRELL, NATHANIEL  
SSG TOWNSEND, TAYLOR  
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SFC WALDRUP, JOHN  
SFC WATSON, CAMERON  
SSG WEBB, CHARLES  
SSG WEITENDORF, ROBERT  
SSG WENZL, JACOB  
SFC WILLIAMS, DANIEL  
SSG WYLEY, RONALD  
SSG YORK, JOSEPH  
SSG ZEMET, JOSHUA

# Creed of the Noncommissioned Officer

No one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a leader of Soldiers. As a Noncommissioned Officer, I realize that I am a member of a time-honored corps, which is known as "The Backbone of the Army". I am proud of the Corps of Noncommissioned Officers and will at all times conduct myself so as to bring credit upon the Corps, the Military Service and my country regardless of the situation in which I find myself. I will not use my grade or position to attain pleasure, profit, or personal safety.

Competence is my watchword. My two basic responsibilities will always be uppermost in my mind—accomplishment of my mission and the welfare of my Soldiers. I will strive to remain technically and tactically proficient. I am aware of my role as a Noncommissioned Officer. I will fulfill my responsibilities inherent in that role. All Soldiers are entitled to outstanding leadership; I will provide that leadership. I know my Soldiers and I will always place their needs above my own. I will communicate consistently with my Soldiers and never leave them uninformed. I will be fair and impartial when recommending both rewards and punishment.

Officers of my unit will have maximum time to accomplish their duties; they will not have to accomplish mine. I will earn their respect and confidence as well as that of my Soldiers. I will be loyal to those with whom I serve; seniors, peers, and subordinates alike. I will exercise initiative by taking appropriate action in the absence of orders. I will not compromise my integrity, nor my moral courage. I will not forget, nor will I allow my comrades to forget that we are professionals, Noncommissioned Officers, leaders!

# THE 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;**

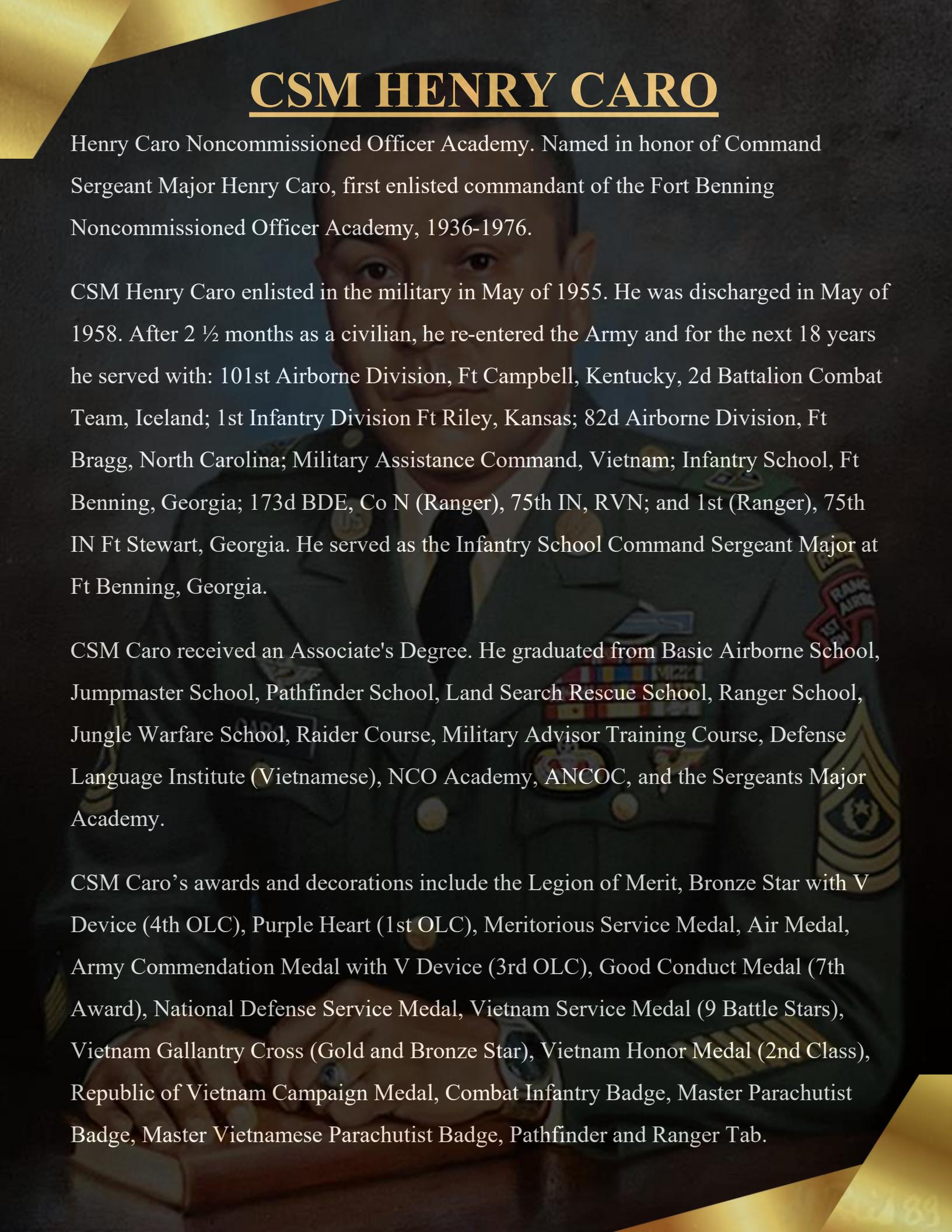
**For where'er we go,**

**You will always know**

**That the Army goes rolling along.**

# CSM HENRY CARO

Henry Caro Noncommissioned Officer Academy. Named in honor of Command Sergeant Major Henry Caro, first enlisted commandant of the Fort Benning Noncommissioned Officer Academy, 1936-1976.



CSM Henry Caro enlisted in the military in May of 1955. He was discharged in May of 1958. After 2 ½ months as a civilian, he re-entered the Army and for the next 18 years he served with: 101st Airborne Division, Ft Campbell, Kentucky, 2d Battalion Combat Team, Iceland; 1st Infantry Division Ft Riley, Kansas; 82d Airborne Division, Ft Bragg, North Carolina; Military Assistance Command, Vietnam; Infantry School, Ft Benning, Georgia; 173d BDE, Co N (Ranger), 75th IN, RVN; and 1st (Ranger), 75th IN Ft Stewart, Georgia. He served as the Infantry School Command Sergeant Major at Ft Benning, Georgia.

CSM Caro received an Associate's Degree. He graduated from Basic Airborne School, Jumpmaster School, Pathfinder School, Land Search Rescue School, Ranger School, Jungle Warfare School, Raider Course, Military Advisor Training Course, Defense Language Institute (Vietnamese), NCO Academy, ANCOC, and the Sergeants Major Academy.

CSM Caro's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with V Device (4th OLC), Purple Heart (1st OLC), Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal with V Device (3rd OLC), Good Conduct Medal (7th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (9 Battle Stars), Vietnam Gallantry Cross (Gold and Bronze Star), Vietnam Honor Medal (2nd Class), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Master Vietnamese Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder and Ranger Tab.

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friends here to support their  
Soldiers and their achievements  
while in the Henry Caro NCO  
Academy.**

