



Command Sergeant Major Ruth E. Potter is a native of Lynchburg, Virginia. She entered the Army on 8 September 1988. She attended Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Dix, New Jersey, as a Motor Transport Operator (88M).

She has earned a Bachelor of Science in International Business from Trident University, Cypress, CA. Her military education includes all of the Demonstrated Master Logistics, Joint Forces Course, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Small Group Instructor, Quality Assurance Course, Army Instructor Course, Blackboard Course, Army Test Proctor Administrator, Army Safety Course, Equal Opportunity and Equal Employment Leader, Master Fitness Course, Air load planner, Basic Leaders Course, Advanced Leaders Course, Senior Leaders Course, Anti-Terrorism Level III, Noncommissioned Officers' Education System courses including the First Sergeant Course, and The United States Army Sergeants Major Academy Class #61.

Command Sergeant Major Potter's key assignments and duties include; 704<sup>th</sup> Medium Truck Company, Fort Carson, Colorado; Senior Operator, 10<sup>th</sup> Transportation Medium Truck Company, Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Instructor Driver, 76<sup>st</sup> Transportation Company, Pirmasens, Germany; Senior Vehicle Operator, 501<sup>st</sup> Transportation Company, Kaiserslautern, Germany; Squad Leader, 89<sup>th</sup> Medium Truck Company, Fort Eustis, Virginia; Section Chief and Squad Leader, 6<sup>TH</sup> Transportation Battalion, Howard Airbase, Panama; Operations Sergeant, 702<sup>nd</sup> Main Support Battalion, Camp Casey, Korea; Section Sergeant, 104<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company, Fort Benning, Georgia; Platoon Sergeant, 25<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Platoon Sergeant, and Truck Master, 524<sup>th</sup> Main Support Battalion, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Support Transportation Senior Operations Sergeant, 71<sup>st</sup> Transportation Battalion S-3 Operations Sergeant, Fort Eustis, Virginia, Golf Company, 71<sup>st</sup> Transportation, Fort Eustis, Virginia; First Sergeant, 194<sup>th</sup> Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, Camp Humphreys, Korea; Senior Operations Sergeant, 597<sup>th</sup> Transportation Brigade, Fort Eustis, Virginia; Brigade S-3 Sergeant Major, (SDDC) 831<sup>st</sup> Transportation Battalion, the Kingdom of Bahrain; Battalion Sergeant Major, (SDDC) South West Asia and Combined Arms Support Command, (CASCOM) Directorate of Lessons Learned and Quality Assurance Office, (DL2/QA) Sergeant Major, Command Sergeant Major 71<sup>st</sup> Transportation Battalion. She has numerous combat tours to Operation Enduring Freedom.

Command Sergeant Major Potter's awards and decorations includes the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (9OLC), Army Achievement Medal (8OLC), Army Good Conduct Medal (8<sup>th</sup> award), National Defense Service Medal (BS), Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Ribbon (1 OLC), Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (4<sup>th</sup> award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (7<sup>th</sup> award), NATO Medal (Bronze Star), Meritorious Unit Citation (Permanent Award). The Combat Action Badge and the Driver and Mechanic Badge

Command Sergeant Major Potter is a recipient of the Ancient Order of Saint Christopher and a member of the prestigious Sergeant Audie Murphy Club. She was also awarded the Presidential Volunteer of the Year Award.

Command Sergeant Major Potter also volunteers with the Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society, Homeless Shelters during clothing drives and is a Fort Lee Holiday Helper.

Command Sergeant Major Ruth E. Potter is married to Mr. Raymond B. Potter.