

Deputy Commanding General U.S. Army Western Hemisphere Command Biography



LTG Stephen G. Smith received his commission through the ROTC program at The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina in 1991 and was commissioned as Field Artillery Officer in the same year.

LTG Smith's commands include the 7th Infantry Division (I Corps), 18th Field Artillery Brigade (82nd Airborne Division), 2nd BN, 377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment (4-25 BCT-USARAK), and Bravo Battery, 25th Field Artillery (1st Infantry Division).

Previous General Officer assignments and positions include DCG of America's First Corps; Commandant of the U.S. Army Field Artillery School; DCG(S) for the 1st Infantry Division; Director of Operations for Iraq and Syria - CJTF-OIR; and Chief of Staff of the XVIII Airborne Corps. Most recently, he served as the U.S. Forces Command Deputy Commanding General.

LTG Smith's deployments include Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Inherent Resolve, Operation Joint Guard, and Operation All American Assist. He has served OCONUS in South Korea, Germany, and Alaska

LTG Smith holds an MBA from Mississippi State University and graduated the U.S. Army War College through the Army's Fellowship Program at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies in Washington, DC.

LTG Smith's awards and decorations include the Army Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal for Combat Service, Legion of Merit with 4 oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters Army Commendation Medal with silver leaf cluster, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Army Achievement Medal with silver oak leaf cluster and 3 oak leaf clusters, the Navy and Marine Corp Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, the Combat Action Badge and Master Parachutist Badge.

LTG Smith is happily married to the former Lynn Gaston of Atlanta, GA. They are the proud parents of three grown children, Ashlyn Olivia, Meghan Kate, and Stephen Gregory, Jr.