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Year of Enlistment: 2013



Do you have any family members who have served or are serving in the military?

My brother currently serves in the Army Reserves as a supply clerk.

What military awards and achievements have you received or accomplished?

I have received the Army achievement medal for my tour in Korea, and I have received three ARCOM's as I have competed and won all the necessary competitions to make it to the Department of the Army competition.

Why did you join the Army?

I joined the Army to get a sense of direction and purpose in my life that I was not finding in the civilian world.

Why did you choose your MOS?

I wanted a job that I felt would not only be challenging, but allow me the opportunity to make a difference in the military and help the Soldiers who would serve with me.

What motivated you to compete in the DA level Best Warrior Competition?

I wanted to better myself and gain experience in the Army. I believe that competition brings out the best in any person and makes them strive to do better than what they think they can.

If successful in accomplishing your goal as one of the Army's Best Warriors, what do you think your role would be in representing the Army?

My role would be to provide Soldiers of the future with an example to follow to try to excel the basic standards of the Army.

Who is your professional mentor?

My profession mentor is Staff Sgt. David Ontiveros.

How did your mentor help you in your professional career?

Staff Sgt. Ontiveros has been there to guide me along the way offering me not only military advice but life advice in order to maximize my potential.

Who or what inspires you?

My parents inspire me most.

What are your military career goals for the future?

My long-term goal is to join the U.S. Army Special Forces as weapons sergeant

What was the biggest challenge along the way to get to this level of competition?

The biggest challenge for me would be the ruck marches I have had to do at each competition.

Who is your Sponsor? How did they help prepare you for this level of competition?

My sponsor is Staff Sgt. David Ontiveros. He has prepared me by offering not only military-knowledge, but also life-knowledge in order to better myself. He helps me maximize my potential.

What will be the most challenging event for you? Why?

I believe the ruck march will be because it is probably the most physically-demanding thing in the list of events.

What do you think will be your best/favorite event? Why?

I believe the warrior task and battle drills are the best.

What are some significant facts about you that are not known by others; i.e. interesting stories, unique hobbies or accomplishments?

I enjoy traveling to different places and learning about its culture.

What are your hobbies/special interests?

Traveling is my hobby.