

Sergeant Major DaNang McKay, U.S. Army Command Senior Enlisted Leader



Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command



Sgt. Maj. DaNang McKay is the Command Senior Enlisted Leader of the Joint POW MIA Accounting Command. He assumed this position in January 2012 after serving for more than two years as the JPAC Headquarters 1st Sgt.

Sgt. Maj. McKay was born in Los Angeles, Calif. and raised in Columbus, Ohio, where he attended Mifflin High School and Franklin University.

Sgt. Maj. McKay served in the Air National Guard as an A7 crew chief from 1984-1987. In 1987, he transitioned into the Army National

Guard and served as a Cadet under the Ohio State University ROTC program. In 1990, Sgt. Maj. McKay joined Active Duty as a 31Q Tactical Satellite Operator and trained at Fort Gordon, Ga.

Sgt. Maj. McKay served for five years as a TACSAT operator; his assignments include Fort Hood, Texas, Camp Humphries, South Korea, and Fort Bragg, N.C. In 1995, Sgt. Maj. McKay attended Mortuary Affairs training at Fort Lee, Va. His assignments as a Mortuary Affairs Specialist include Fort Bragg, N.C., the Central Identification Laboratory-Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii, the U.S. Army Human Resources Command, Alexandria, Va., and the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command, Honolulu, Hawaii. Furthermore, he deployed to Afghanistan and served as the 10th Joint Logistics Command Mortuary Affairs Advisor. Sgt. Maj. McKay has also served in various assignments as the 217th Military Police 1st Sgt., Noncommissioned Officer Academy Instructor and Drill Sgt.

Sgt. Maj. McKay has an Associate of Science Degree in Business Management from Hawaii Pacific University. His military education includes the Basic and Advanced Non-commissioned Officers Course (Commandants List); First Sergeant Course; Sergeants Major Course (Class 59); Drill Sergeant School; Airborne School; Air Assault School; and a variety of other leadership and military education.

Sgt. Maj. McKay's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster); National Defense Service Medal (with Star); Korea Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Medal; Army Superior Unit Award; Joint Meritorious Unit Award; Airborne Badge; Air Assault Badge; Drill Sergeant Badge, 1999 Personnel Command Non-commissioned Officer of the Year, Fort Lee Drill Sergeant of the Year for 2002, and various other unit and service medals.

Sgt. Maj. McKay is married and has three daughters, one son, and two granddaughters.