

Command Sergeant Major Daniel Beard hails from Silverdale, Washington where he graduated high school in 1994. He enlisted in the Army in January 1997 as a 13B Cannon Crewmember and attended OSUT training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He was assigned to 3/2 ACR in the Howitzer Battery from June 1997 to January 2001. While there he deployed to Bosnia from September 1997 to June 1998. He re-enlisted in June of 2002 as an 11B and attended OSUT at FT Benning, GA. Command Sergeant Major Beard was assigned to the Pathfinder Company, 6-101 AVN from September 2002 to January 2005. He deployed to Iraq with the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) from February 2003 to February 2004. He held the duty positions of Pathfinder, Assistant Pathfinder Team Leader and Pathfinder Team Leader.



In January 2005, he was assigned to 1-23 IN, 3rd SBCT, 2nd ID. He deployed with the "Tomahawks" from June 2006 to September 2007 and from August 2009 to June 2010 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He held the duty positions of Team Leader, Squad Leader, Recon Team Leader and Platoon Sergeant. He was assigned to the STB/377th TSC as the Operations Sergeant from January 2011 to December 2011. In December 2011 he was assigned as the HHC, First Sergeant for the 377th TSC. In April of 2014 he was assigned as the 1SG for C/2-3 IN, 1-2 SBCT at JBLM, WA. In November of 2015 he was assigned as the 1SG for HHC/2-3 IN where he served until December of 2016. He served as the Operations Sergeant and the Military Science Instructor at The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina from December 2016 to June 2017. He attended the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy from August 2017 to June 2018 as a member of Class 68. His last assignment was with 2-87 IN, 2nd BCT, 10th Mountain Division (LI) as the Operations Sergeant Major deployed to Afghanistan, from August 2018-May 2019. His last position was the CSM of 3-21 Infantry, 1-25 SBCT at Fort Wainwright, Alaska from 2019-2022.

Command Sergeant Major Beards awards and decorations include the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Basic Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drivers Badge, Bronze Star Medal x 2, Meritorious Service Medal x 2, Army Commendation Medal (w/"V" device) x2, Army Commendation Medal x5, Army Achievement Medal x8, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal x4, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal w/4 stars, Afghanistan Campaign Med w/1 star, Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terror Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon w/5, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, United Nations Medal and NATO Medal.

Command Sergeant Major Beard has completed two years of college and is working on completing his Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. He is married with three children. He is an avid golfer and salmon fisherman.