

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Wayne Campbell
U.S. Cavalry, Retired

Military Service

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell is the 2022 Texas Christian University Hall of Honor inductee, he is a recipient of the 24th Congressional District Congressional Veterans Commendation and he served as the Grand Marshal of the 2023 Tarrant County Veterans Day parade. He was recognized by the Dallas Stars twice and he is currently on temporary hiatus from serving on the 24th Congressional District Service Academy Selection Board.

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell is a native of Fort Worth who entered the military in 1986 at the age of 17 and graduated basic training as the honor graduate. He initially served 3 years with the Texas Army National Guard as a Signalman, and 3 years with the Army Reserves as an Artilleryman and Drill Sergeant. In 1992, he was commissioned among the top 5% of all cadets in the nation as a Distinguished Military Graduate through the Army ROTC program at Texas Christian University and in 2012, the U.S. Army entered his name onto the retirement rolls after 26 years of service to the nation.

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell served in a variety of U.S. Cavalry Command positions from the platoon level all the way up to battalion/squadron level, and he served in staff positions at the Corps and Army Command levels. He was stationed in Europe, Hawai'i, Alaska and throughout the contiguous United States. During his time in the military, Joseph was entrusted with equipment totaling more than \$45 million for 31 months and he managed the welfare for more than 2,700 soldiers and their families for 24 months.

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell deployed to Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Croatia in support of Operation Joint Endeavor, to Albania in support of the Operation Joint Guardian, and to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom IV, V, VI and in support of Operation New Dawn.

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal with three bronze oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with four bronze oak leaf clusters, the Army Meritorious Unit Award, the Army Achievement Medal with one silver and one bronze oak leaf cluster, the NATO Medal and a variety of other service ribbons and medals. He is Airborne, Air Assault, Pathfinder and Ranger qualified along with many other military qualifications. He also earned the German Armed Forces Military Proficiency Badge in Gold five times, his Silver and Gold Spurs, and he is a Knight in the Order of Saint George, both Bronze and Silver.

Community Service

While Joseph has had an outstanding military career, he continues to volunteer to serve the community and beyond in an exceptional manner. This is why he was recognized by Boys Scouts of America by receiving the Community Organization Square Knot twice and by the Girls Scouts of America by receiving the Good Shepard Award. He is a recipient of the President's Lifetime Achievement Award and he is the Duke of Edinburgh International Award license holder for north Texas and southern Oklahoma which authorizes him to present the award. His desire to give back is to honor the memory of his late wife and to honor the selfless service of his daughter and son, who both graduated from Colleyville Heritage with both moving on the U.S. Service Academy after high school graduation. Only his son remains in the military, serving as a Marine Corps Viper pilot.

Joseph is a Paid Up For Life Member of The American Legion, a Paid Up For Life Member of the Sons of the American Legion and a Paid Life member of the 40&8 American Legion Honor Society. As a member of The American Legion, his sole purpose for joining was to work the youth programs and he is most proud of his service as a Past Commander for Hurst-Euless-Bedford Post 379, Past Commander for Texas' 12th District (Tarrant County) and Past Commander for the 1st Division (north Texas from the panhandle to the Louisiana boarder). During his term as Post Commander, Joseph grew his post to become the largest and most active post in Texas with a membership of 1,724. He is also a Senior City Counselor for Texas Boys State and Senior Section Counselor for Boys Nation.

Joseph is a Gold Legacy Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), a Life Member of the National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, and a Life Member of the Order of the Cootie Honor Society of the VFW. As a member of the VFW, his sole purpose for joining was, just like in the Legion, to work the youth programs and he is most proud of his service as a Past Commander for Airport Cities Post 10454 in Grapevine and a Past Commander for Texas' District 21 (Jack, Hood, Johnson, Palo Pinto, Parker and Tarrant Counties). During his term as Post Commander, the Grapevine post received the honors of being the number one post in Texas with Joseph personally receiving the top Post Commander award. During the same time period, the Grapevine VFW was recognized as an All-State, All-American and Legacy Society post. He has also served as a VFW National Aide De Camp.

Joseph is active in Boys Scouting, serving as the Chartered Organization Representative and Executive to an all Boy Troop, an all Girl Troop, a Venture Crew and a Cub Scout Pack. As an adult Scout volunteer, he is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow honor society and he was presented the Good Shepherd Award by Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains. He is a recent graduate of Leadership Colleyville, and he has graduated from Leadership Grapevine and Leadership HEB. His purpose for participating in Leadership programs is to better bring to the forefront veteran, veteran family, first responder and first responder family issues.

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