

## 95TH CIVIL AFFAIRS BRIGADE (AIRBORNE) BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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## STAFF SGT JOHN M. CHANDLER

Staff Sgt. John M. Chandler, a native of Grand Rapids, Mich., graduated from East Kentwood High School, Kentwood, Mich. in 2000 and joined the army as a signal support systems specialist.

After completing Basic Combat Training at Ft. Jackson, S.C. and Advanced Infantry Training at Ft. Gordon, Ga, Chandler's first assignment was to 2nd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division. He deployed with Task Force Falcon in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003.

In 2005, Chandler was assigned to the C Co., 84th Engineer Battalion, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and deployed in support of OFI in 2005 as the company forward signal support noncommissioned officer.



In 2008, Chandler was assigned to 96th Civil Affairs Bn., Ft. Bragg, N.C. and deployed with as the forward signal support NCO in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn with the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Arabian Peninsula. In 2012, Chandler deployed to Qatar in support of OEF as the forward supply and forward signal support NCO.

Chandler has five Army Commendation Medals, the Army Achievement Medal, the Presidential Unit Award, the Valorous Unit Award and two Meritorious Unit Awards. Chandler is authorized to wear the Combat Action Badge and Parachutists Badge.

Chandler is continuing his education to earn a bachelor's degree in computer science.