



Sergeant Major Len E. Godwin

Sergeant Major Godwin enlisted in the Army in 1981 as a graduate of Southview High School in North Carolina. He completed Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

His initial assignment was with the 3/3rd Field Artillery Battalion located at Fort Knox, Kentucky as a Cannon Crewmember. Throughout his career as a Field Artilleryman, he also served duties at Camp Page, Korea, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Sergeant Major Godwin was selected for recruiting duty in 1988 and was assigned to the Louisville Recruiting Battalion with duty at the Preston Highway Recruiting Station. He has served in various duty positions such as Recruiter, On Production Station Commander, Limited Production Station Commander, Recruiter Trainer, Operations NCO, Guidance Counselor, Senior Guidance Counselor, and First Sergeant of the Raleigh Recruiting Battalion. He has served as the Command Sergeant Major of the Oklahoma City Recruiting Battalion, 6th Recruiting Brigade, and Raleigh Recruiting Battalion. He served as the Sergeant Major for the Recruiting Department of the Recruiting and Retention School and currently as Command Sergeant Major of the school.

Sergeant Major Godwin's accomplishments include Distinguished Graduate from the Primary Leadership Development Course as well as the Distinguished Graduate from the Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course. He is a graduate from the Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course, Department of the Army First Sergeant Course and Department of the Air Force Senior Noncommissioned Officers Academy (equivalent to the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy). Additionally, he has also graduated from the Army Recruiter Course, Station Commanders Course and the Guidance Counselors Course.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with 4 oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with 6 oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal with 9 oak leaf clusters, Global War on Terrorism Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon and the Service ribbon. He has earned the United States Army Gold Recruiter Badge, the Recruiter Ring and the Glen E. Morrell Award for Recruiting Excellence.