

11th Battalion Commander

Lieutenant Colonel David P. Key

LTC David P. Key is a native of Powder Springs, Georgia. He is a 1998 graduate of North Georgia College, earning a commission in the Transportation Corps.

As a transportation officer, LTC Key was first assigned to Bamberg, Germany where he served as an operations officer in the 30th Movement Control Team serving for Task Force Hawk, in Tirana, Albania. He was then assigned as a Heavy Equipment Transport platoon leader for 11th Transportation Company in Mannheim, Germany serving in Macedonia and Kosovo, and later served as the commander for the Rhine River Detachment, Military Terminal Management Command.

He was then assigned to Headquarters, 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, GA where he was the assistant division transportation officer during Operation Iraqi Freedom I and as the company commander for HHC, 4th Heavy Brigade Combat Team serving in OIF III. He was then assigned to Fort Polk, Louisiana to serve as an Observer/Controller for the Joint Readiness Training Center.

He returned to the 3rd Infantry Division as a logistics officer where he served as the 4th Heavy Brigade Combat Team Brigade S4 during OIF VI and as the 703d Brigade Support Battalion Executive Officer.

He was then selected as the Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, United States Transportation Command, at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. After serving three years as the aide and completing his joint tour, he was selected to serve as the Division Transportation Officer for the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) where he served in Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom.

His most recent assignment was at Valley Forge Military Academy and College, where he was selected to serve as the Professor of Military Science.

He is a graduate of the Transportation Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captain's Career Course, Command and General Staff College and the Joint and Combined Warfare School. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from North Georgia College and a master's degree in Adult and Higher Education from the University of Oklahoma.

LTC Key's awards, badges and decorations are consistent with those of most Soldiers who have had the honor to serve the United States over a period of decades and the good fortune to return safely home. He is married to the former Dana Johnson of Morrow, Georgia. They have two children: daughter Jessa and son Spencer.