

Colonel Arthur Yeager
Occupational Therapist, Army Specialist Corps

Colonel Arthur Yeager was born and raised in Reading, Pennsylvania. He graduated from the University of Tennessee Knoxville with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Human Ecology, majoring in Child and Family Studies. He completed his graduate studies at Philadelphia University with a Master's Degree in Occupational Therapy.

COL Yeager began his ongoing 36-year Army career as a helicopter repairer with the 229th Attack Helicopter Battalion, 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell, KY, then re-enlisted for 4/9 CAV at Ft. Wainwright, AK. After completing a "Green to Gold" Army ROTC college scholarship, he was commissioned as an Aviation Officer. He was the headquarters platoon leader with D/502nd Aviation Regiment in Mannheim, Germany, and a flight platoon leader with E/502n Aviation Regiment in Aviano, Italy. His initial staff officer work began as an assistant operations officer (S-3) with the HHQ 101st Aviation Company, Ft. Campell, KY, and temporary assignments as an assistant personnel (G-1) officer with V Corps Headquarters, Heidelberg, Germany. As an Army Specialist Corps Officer, he held many other leadership positions, such as an Occupational Therapy Section Chief at Tripler Army Medical Center, HI, Chief, Occupational Therapy at both Moncrief and Reynolds Army Community Hospitals at Ft. Jackson, SC, and Ft. Sill, OK respectively, and Chief, Restoration & Reconditioning, in the 528th Combat Stress Detachment, Mosul, Iraq, and the 254th Combat Stress Detachment, Kandahar, Afghanistan. As the European Regional Consultant, he served as the Department Chief of the Physical Performance Service Line at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, followed by a tour at the Office of the Surgeon General (OTSG) as the Chief of Operations for Army Behavioral Health in Falls Church, VA. He is currently the Deputy Chief for the Department of Rehabilitation at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, MD.

COL Yeager is a graduate of the Aviation Officer Basic and Advanced Courses. Additional military schools he attended include the Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Army Medical Department Basic Officer Leadership Course, the Intermediate Level Education Course, and the Army War College Defense Strategy Course

His awards include the Bronze Service Star, Meritorious Service Medal (7th award), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (2nd award), the National Defense Service Medal (2nd award), the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon (4th award), the Meritorious Unit Commendation Award (2nd award), and the Army Superior Unit Award. He also earned the Combat Action Badge, Aviator Badge, Parachust Badge , and Air Assault Badge.