



**OPERATION
BBQ RELIEF**

JARRID COLLINS

director of non-disaster programs

MEET JARRID.

First Sergeant Jarrid Collins was born and raised in Scobey, Montana to a farming family in the middle of the Great Plains.

First Sergeant Collins and his wife, Layla (MSG Retired), have been married for over 16 years and have two wonderful boys together (Gabe 5 and Colt 2). Together, they are active as leaders in their local community, as volunteers with local schools and as coaches for local sports.



BACKGROUND

In 1996 First Sergeant Collins joined the U.S. Army as an Intelligence Analyst (96B) and completed basic training in Fort Leonard Wood and AIT at Fort Huachuca, AZ. His initial duty station was with the 8th Army in Pyong Taek, South Korea. Upon returning stateside in 1997, he was stationed at 4th ID (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, Colorado. In 1999 First Sergeant Collins was nominated for and assigned to Royal Air Force Base Molesworth in the UK. In 2001 he returned stateside and was assigned to 1/325 Airborne Infantry Regiment/82nd Airborne; attending Jump school over 9/11.

First Sergeant Collins was tasked to support US CENTCOM in April - September, 2002 for the early stages of the war on terror. He attended Special Forces Assessment and Selections (SFAS) in October-November 2002. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004 and was assigned as an 18D, Special Forces Medical Sergeant, to the 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), where he served as the Senior Medical Sergeant for Special Forces Operational Detachments - Alpha's (SFOD-A) 732, and 734.

While assigned to 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), he participated in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as well as multiple deployments to the SOUTHCOM Areas of Operation.

In 2008, First Sergeant Collins was assigned to the Special Warfare Medical Center (SWMG) as an 18D instructor teaching Combat Trauma Management (CTM), Advanced Combat Life Support (ACLS), Basic Life Support (BLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), and Triage. In 2009 he was assigned to A Special Missions Unit on Fort Bragg, NC; serving as a Senior Medic and Team Sergeant. While assigned there, he participated in multiple deployments to Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and OPERATION NEW DAWN.

In January 2014 First Sergeant Collins was assigned to Walter Reed National Medical Center to rehabilitate from a left below the knee Amputation. In July 2014, First Sergeant Collins was assigned to 1st Special Forces Command's (A) Office of Special Warfare (OSW) developing the Non-Standard Medical Team, SOF Austere Care Course (SOFACC), and Regional Support Medic (RSM) Courses. These courses were designed to augment tactical and/or austere environments with a webbed network of echeloned medical capability.

RECOGNITION

In April of 2017 First Sergeant Collins Assumed Duties as HHC First Sergeant for SWMG. In April 2018 First Sergeant Collins was awarded the prestigious Major General Singlaub award. This award is given to one soldier per year within the entire U.S. ARMY Special Operations Command's 26,000 people. The Major General Singlaub Award is presented to deserving recipients who exemplify

the Army Special Operations Forces Next traits, the Army Special Operations Forces promise, and demonstrate an unwavering commitment to bettering ARSOF. In 2018 First Sergeant Collins also medaled for Team U.S.A. at the 2018 Invictus Games in Sydney, Australia and represented and medaled for Team United States Special Operations Command at the 2018 DOD Warrior Games.

EDUCATION

First Sergeant Collins military and civilian education includes: the Special Forces Qualification Course (18D), Warriors Leaders Course (WLC), Senior Leaders Course (SLC), and Advanced Leaders Course (ALC). Basic and Advanced Airborne Courses, Military Freefall, and Military Freefall Jump Master. He is a graduate of American Military University with a Bachelors in Health Science (Pre-Med) and Norwich University with a Master's Degree in Organizational Management.

AWARDS

His awards and decorations include the Soldiers Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, MFFJM Badge and Special Forces Tab.