

Colonel Todd C. Hanks

Commander, 599th Transportation Brigade

COL Hanks is native of Smithville, Missouri and began his military career as a reserve officer training corps cadet. He was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer in 1999. COL Hanks initially served as a Supply Platoon Leader, Executive Officer, Class IX Accountable Officer, Battalion S4, and Company Commander in Alpha Company, 125th Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division at Fort Riley, Kansas, deploying to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003 and 2006.

Following deployment, COL Hanks served as the Battalion S4 and Property Book Officer with the United Nations Command Security Battalion – Joint Security Area, Camp Bonifas, Panmunjom, South Korea. Later, he served as a battalion Logistics Advisor with the Office of the Program Manager-Saudi Arabian National Guard in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. COL Hanks joined the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky as the Support Operations Officer and battalion Executive Officer in the 563rd Aviation Support Battalion, 159th Combat Aviation Brigade, and deployed to Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom in 2012.



In 2013, COL Hanks served as a Joint Logistics Planner and Chief of Plans in the J4, United States Indo-Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawai'i. Following this joint assignment, he commanded the 528th Special Troops Battalion, 528th Sustainment Brigade (Special Operations) (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, deploying in support of Special Operations Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve to Iraq and Syria in 2017. Following his battalion command, COL Hanks remained at Fort Bragg, and served as the G4, Director of Logistics at the Army Special Operations Aviation Command (Airborne). COL Hanks most recently served as Support Operations Officer at 8th Theater Sustainment Command, Fort Shafter, Hawai'i.

COL Hanks has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

COL Hanks' military education includes the Quartermaster Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captains Career Course, Combined Arms Service Staff School, Joint Course on Logistics, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the Joint, Combined Warfighter Course (JPME II), and the U.S. Army War College Fellowship at the Australian Strategic Policy Institute in Canberra, Australia.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Achievement Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism, Iraqi and Afghanistan Campaign Medals, Parachute Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Parachute Rigger Badge.

COL Hanks is married to Yvette J. Smith of Adelaide, South Australia.