

# 241st ARMY BIRTHDAY MONTH

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**TITLE:** APM Europe and APM NETMOD Pacific

**HOW LONG AT PEO EIS:** One month

**AWARDS / EDUCATION / OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS TO NOTE:** Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Parachutist Badge, and Bronze Order of Mercury



### 1. HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU SERVED?

I have served eight years.

### 2. WHAT LED YOU TO A CAREER WITH THE ARMY?

It is very simple, I wanted to go to West Point to be commissioned as an officer in the Army.

### 3. WHO WOULD YOU CONSIDER TO BE YOUR MENTOR AND WHY?

I would have to say everyone. You learn lessons both good and bad from leaders, peers, and subordinates.

### 4. HOW MANY PLACES HAVE YOU LIVED AND WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE?

I have lived in eight places throughout my life. My favorite place would have to be Miami, FL, where I was born and raised.

### 5. WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE STORY OF YOUR MILITARY CAREER?

There is not one event that is more important than another one I had throughout my career. In essence of this forum, it would be the day my Supply Clerk won the NETCOM Supply Excellence Award. My Supply Clerk arrived to the unit as a private slotted in a position for a NCO. She did not have any experience nor did she know very much. She did possess resilience and the ability to learn quickly. She would seek mentorship and the advice from the supply personnel in our higher headquarters, sister organizations, Army Depot, and any logistician she could find. After winning the supply competition two quarters straight, I filled out the paperwork to have her compete at the NETCOM level. A year after the NETCOM inspection, then as a Specialist, my Soldier found out she accomplished one of her greatest achievements to date. Seeing your Soldiers grow from beginning to end is the most rewarding experience.

### 6. WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ARMY TRADITION?

At military balls, the setting of the Fallen Comrade Table is one of the most relatable and touching traditions I have seen. Each setting on the table is symbolic to Fallen Soldiers of the past and present. During my freshman year at West Point, I had the opportunity to run on the track team with Emily Perez. She was extremely brilliant and held one of the most important positions in the Corps as the Cadet Command Sergeant Major. During my junior year, I remember the USMA Corps would stand behind our chairs and wait for the mess hall announcer to read off the names of Fallen Soldiers. It was not until September, 2006, that one of those names was familiar. Traditions remembering our American Soldiers are not only important, but meaningful and reflecting of those lives.