



MAJ Gary S. Bonham

Deputy Commander
Albuquerque District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Major Gary S. Bonham was born in Reno, Nevada. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Nevada, Reno where he was commissioned through the ROTC program as a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers. He also holds a Master of Science in Geological Engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla and a Masters of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. His military education includes the Engineer Officer Basic Course, the Engineers Captains Career Course, the Combined Arms and Service Staff School, and Naval War College - the College of Naval Command and Staff.

Major Bonham was first assigned to the 82nd Engineer Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division in Bamberg, Germany. There he served as a Sapper Platoon Leader, an Assault and Obstacle Platoon Leader, and as an Operations Officer. He was next assigned to the Engineer Brigade, 1st Infantry Division in Bamberg Germany where he served as the Operations Officer with the Brigade during its deployment to Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom II. After the deployment, Major Bonham took command of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 82nd Engineer Battalion in 2005. He then commanded the East Bay Recruiting Company in Walnut Creek, CA beginning in 2006. In 2009, he joined the 130th Engineer Brigade Headquarters in Mosul, Iraq as the Brigade Plans Officer. Upon redeployment in 2010 to Schofield Barrack, HI, he became the Design Engineer for the Brigade. In 2011, Major Bonham moved to the 84th Engineer Battalion on Schofield Barracks, HI as the Battalion Executive Officer. He assumed the role as Deputy Commander, Albuquerque Engineer District in May 2010.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with Two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (with Two Campaign Stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

Major Bonham is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Nevada and is married to the former Jodie Shipp of San Jose, California. They have one daughter, Adrienne and one son, Sebastian.