

## CSM TIMOTHY A. BOLYARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The Thunderbolt Chapter of the U.S. Cavalry and Armor Association (USCAA) has established the CSM Timothy A. Bolyard Memorial Scholarship program to celebrate the life of CSM Bolyard and his commitment to the seven Army Values: Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless-service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal-courage (LDRSHIP).

This year we will present a minimum top scholarship award in the amount of **\$2500**. A total of **\$5000** will be awarded this year in scholarships with

additional award amounts possible based on the support of our donors.

To be eligible for this scholarship competition you must either be a USCAA Thunderbolt Chapter member, or the immediate f amily of a member in good standing (annual association dues paid). The annual association membership is \$28.00 which can be completed online: <a href="www.cavalryandarmor.com">www.cavalryandarmor.com</a> (click on "Join Now").

2020 Scholarship applications must be completed and submitted to the Thunderbolt Chapter email, <a href="mailto:thunderboltchapter@gmail.com">thunderboltchapter@gmail.com</a>, no later than 12:00am (midnight) on **Friday**, **3 April 2020** in order to be considered. The Thunderbolt Chapter President, together with the CSM Bolyard family, will present the final scholarship awards at a ceremony scheduled for 4:30pm on Thursday, April 16, 2020 at the Fiddler's Green inside the Benning Club.

For additional information on the CSM Timothy A. Bolyard scholarship or information on how you can help with this program, please contact us at the Thunderbolt Chapter email address provided above.

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CARL JOHNSON SGM (Ret), U.S. Army President, Thunderbolt Chapter U.S. Cavalry and Armor Association

## **Command Sergeant Major Timothy Allen Bolyard**

15 January 1976 - 3 September 2018



Command Sergeant Major Timothy Bolyard hails from Thornton, West Virginia. He entered OSUT training in 1994 at Fort Knox, Kentucky where he was awarded the MOS of 19D, Cavalry Scout. Since that time, Command Sergeant Major Bolyard served in a variety of positions to include Dismounted Scout, Driver, Gunner, Team Leader, Squad Leader, Section Leader, Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, Armor Branch Sergeant Major at Human Resources Command (HRC), Operations Sergeant Major at the Squadron, Brigade Combat Team and Division level, and Squadron Command Sergeant Major. He served as the Command Sergeant Major of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Squadron, 1<sup>ST</sup> Security Forces Assistance Brigade at Fort Benning GA.

Upon completion of OSUT he was assigned to C Troop, 1st Squadron, 7th US Cavalry, Fort Hood, Texas, 1st Battalion 6th Infantry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Baumholder, Germany, 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado, 4nd Squadron, 10th US Cavalry, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado, Human Resources Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky, 1st Squadron, 10th US Cavalry, HHT 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division Headquarters Fort Carson, Colorado, 3rd Infantry Division Headquarters and 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, 1st Brigade Combat Team 3rd Infantry Division Fort Stewart, Georgia Command Sergeant Major Bolyard has deployed ten times in support of contingency and combat operations around the world.

Command Sergeant Major Bolyard's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with Valor (1 OLC), Bronze Star Medal (3 OLCs), Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (5 OLCs), Army Achievement Medal (8 OLCs), Good Conduct Medal (7th award), National Defense Service Medal (with star device), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (with 4 device), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Medal, United Nations Medal, NATO Medal (with star device), the Combat Action Badge, Drivers Badge wheel, The Order of Saint George Bronze Medallion, and he was inducted as a member of the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club.

Command Sergeant Major Bolyard is a graduate of the Combat Lifesaver Course, Small Arms Maintenance Course, Primary Leadership Development Course, HAZMAT Storage and Transportation Course, Master Fitness Trainer Course, 19D Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course, Scout Leader Course, 19D Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course, and the Sergeants Major Course class 63. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Excelsior College in New York.

Command Sergeant Major Bolyard was killed in the line of duty on 3 September 2018 while serving in Logar Province, Afghanistan with the 3rd Squadron, 1st Security Forces Assistance Brigade (SFAB). CSM Bolyard is laid to rest at the National Cemetery in Pruntytown, WV. He is survived by his wife Amy Bolyard and three children Preston Bolyard, Casey Settle, and Melanie Bryan. He also leaves behind his parents Marvin Douglas and Sandra Bolyard, brother Jeff (Rose) and sister Melissa Bragg (Criss).