

1SG Robert J. Chase is a native of Linwood, Kansas and entered the Army on March 11, 1998, enlisting into the Kansas National Guard. He attended One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, GA, earning the MOS 11H, Heavy Anti-Armor Crewmen, after completing 16 weeks of infantry basic and Advanced Individual Training. After three and a half years with the Kansas National Guard, 1SG Chase entered active duty service.

1SG Chase's assignments include Alpha Co., 2nd BN, 137th Infantry Regiment, 35th Infantry Division, Kansas National Guard, Alpha Co., 1st BN, 29th Infantry Regiment, Fort Benning, GA, Alpha Co. and Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 1st BN, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, KS, Bravo Co., Fourth Ranger Training BN, Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade, Fort Benning, GA, Alpha Co. 2nd BN, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, TX, Army University, Combined Arms Center, Fort Leavenworth, KS, and currently serves as Company First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., Special Troops BN, Combined Arms Center, Fort Leavenworth, KS. He has supported operational assignments in the Republic of South Korea and Operation Enduring Freedom in East Africa and Afghanistan.

1SG Chase holds a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership and is currently pursuing a Masters of Science in Strategic Leadership, both from the University of Charleston, WV. He has completed all levels of NCOES education through Master Leaders Course, achieving Commandant's List at Senior Leaders Course. Other military courses include Combat Life Saver, Airborne School, Ranger School, Combatives Level I, Emergency Response Medical Technician Basic Course, Army Basic Instructor Course, Tactical Certification Course, Equal Opportunity Leader Course, Noncommissioned Officer Battle Staff, Initial Faculty Development Instructor Course, and Common Faculty Development Developers Course.

1SG Chase's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Joint Service Achievement Medal (2nd Award), Army Achievement Medal (7th Award), Joint Meritorious Unit Award (2nd Award), Army Superior Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Award (6th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (2 Campaign Stars), Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War On Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (Numeral 4), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon (Numeral 3), Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, NATO Medal, Kansas National Guard Achievement Ribbon (2nd Award), Ranger Tab, Combat Infantry Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, Parachutist Badge, Driver Mechanic Badge-Driver Wheeled Vehicle, French Desert Combat Survival Badge, German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Silver), and German Jump Wings.

He is married to Mrs. Alda N. Chase and has 5 children, James, Tanisha, Caleb, Jewel, and Natalie.