

Nealy Jerome Roper



Nealy Jerome Roper is a retired US. Army soldier who served his country for more than 23 years.

A native of Foley, Alabama, Roper enlisted in the Army on 9 April 1987 and attended Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and Advance Individual Training as an 88M (Wheel vehicle driver) at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri as a member of the Alabama National Guard. After College Roper attended Basic Training (26 October 1992) again due to a lengthy break in service, this time at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Roper endured 13 deployments during his tenure of service, with four of them being Combat Tours (Somalia 1993, Iraq 2003, 2004 and 2008).

Roper's military and civilian education includes the Officer Basic Course, all levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Education System including the Advance Noncommissioned Officer Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Primary Leadership Development Course and the Army Drug & Alcohol course. Roper holds a Bachelor of Science in Parks and Recreation/Physical Education from the University of North Alabama and an Associate of Science in General Studies from Marion Military Institute ECP (Early Commissioning Program).

Roper's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (8th award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (12th award), Good Conduct Medal (7th award), National Defense Service Medal (3rd award), NCO Professional Development Ribbon (3rd award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon sixteenth award, Master Driver Badge, Master Air Loader (US Air Force Award).

Roper has four children Victoria, Patrick, Nysheeka (deceased) and Jarrod. Five Grandchildren LaDarius, TyJerious, Destiny, Quashaunna, and Patience. Roper currently resides in the city of Foley where he enjoys his family and community.