

Command Team Spotlight

169th Engineer Battalion

The 169th Engineer Battalion continuously trains Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, DoD civilians and allied service members and develops leaders in combat, general and geo-spatial engineering skills, in coordination with the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, DoD Fire Academy and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency for full spectrum operations to fight and win our Nation's wars.



Lt. Col. Scott Preston



Hometown:
Liberty, Missouri

Hobbies:
Collecting, auto-
mobilia, games

Favorite Movies: "Better Off Dead" and
"One Crazy Summer"

Favorite Book: "Guns of August"

Command Sgt. Maj. Tony Love



Hometown:
Plato, Missouri

Hobbies:
Hunting and
motorcycles

Favorite Movie: "We Were Soldiers"

What does leadership mean to you?

Being out front, taking responsibility and owning a mission. Presenting the confidence that you can solve the challenge at hand.

Which of the Army values do you feel is most important?

Selfless Service. We are all volunteers and we work for the American people. We should think about all the veterans that came before us and understand that what we do, represents them.

What is the best advice you have ever received?

Don't be afraid to try something new. Get out of your comfort zone. When you do, you learn.

Why did you decide to join the Army?

I grew up right here on Fort Leonard Wood and the surrounding area. My father retired in the area and the military was the only lifestyle I knew. My very first job at an early age of 11, was selling newspapers to Soldiers in training as they were coming out of the mess halls here. Fast forward in my career, I was a drill sergeant, first sergeant and command sergeant major for Soldiers going into those exact same chow halls.

How do you personally measure success as a Soldier?

I judge my success simply by the success or lack thereof, of the Soldiers I influence. Not just within my current unit but other Soldiers that reach out to me for advice from previous time served with them.