

Biography

Staff Sergeant Thomas Melton

Demonstration Parachutist, Gold Team

U.S. Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights"



Personal Statistics

Hometown: Sarasota, Florida

School Attended: Vero Beach High School

Biographical Sketch

Staff Sergeant Melton is serving on the Team as a Demonstration Parachutist.

Thomas enlisted more than 15 years ago and attended Basic Training at Ft Jackson, SC. Immediately after, his Advanced Individual Training, AIT as a 92R Parachute Rigger was at Ft Lee, VA for the following thirteen weeks. Throughout his career, duty stations have included Ft Bragg, NC with the 82nd Airborne and MacDill Air Force Base in Florida. There he served as an Airdrop Specialist. He went on to West Point Military Academy, NY as a Parachute Rigger



Supervisor and worked as a Coach and Instructor to the up and coming Cadets at the Academy. Later he attended the Warrior Leader Course and the Advanced Leader Course. His civilian education consists of an Associates Degree in Liberal Arts.

In 2010 Thomas applied to the Army Parachute Team's rigorous Assessment and Selection Program and was selected to become a Demonstration Parachutist.

Since learning to skydive in 2003 he has logged more than 1,400 free fall parachute jumps, and 70 military static line jumps. He has also earned the Master Parachutist, Free Fall Instructor, HALO, and Parachute Rigger badges.

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