

BIOGRAPHY

Brigadier General Gary Ropers grew up in Sargent, Nebraska where he graduated from Sargent High School in 1982. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science from Kearney State College in 1987; and a Master of Strategic Studies Degree from the U.S. Army War College in 2014. BG Gary Ropers is President and Owner of Ropers Consulting, LLC and works at National Indemnity in Omaha, NE.



He enlisted in the Nebraska Army National Guard in 1981 with C Company, 1-195th Armor in Broken Bow, NE as a Tank Turret Mechanic. Upon commissioning in 1991 he was assigned to Det 1 HHB 1-168th Field Artillery as the Fire Support Officer. In 1994, assigned to B Battery as Executive Officer, Fire Direction Officer and Battery Commander. Assigned to HHC 1-134th INF in 1997 where he served as an Executive Officer and Motor Officer. Assigned to the 209th RTI Ashland, Nebraska in 1998 and served as TAC Officer, OCS Commander and Assistant Operations Officer. Aide-de-Camp in 2003 for Lt Gen (Ret) Roger Lempke. Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) 2007-2008. 2009, Plans Officer for the 41st ROC (ASG) in Omaha. Commander of the 2-209th RTI in June 2010 till March 2013. Upon returning from War College he was assigned as the 67th BFSB S3. In May of 2016 was promoted to COL and has been assigned to the JFHQ G3 and J3. BG Ropers was Commander of the 92nd Troop Command from Sept. 2018 – July 2020 & Special Assistant to the Adjutant General July 2021-Oct. 2021. BG Ropers now serves as the Land Component Commander, effective Oct. 2021.

BG Gary Ropers' military education includes the Nebraska National Guard Military Academy Officer Candidate School – Class 34, 1991; Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, 1992; Transportation Officer Advanced Course, 2002; Combined Arms Service and Staff School, 2003; Counter Insurgency (COIN) Course, 2007; Command and General Staff College (Intermediate Level Education Course), 2008; Training Institution Pre-Command Course, 2010; BN Pre-Command Course, 2010; Reserve Component National Security Seminar, 2011; US Army War College - Resident, 2014; JTF Commander Training Course 2017; BDE Pre-Command Course 2018; Commanders Development Course 2018; Antiterrorism Executive Level IV 2019; Senior Officer Legal Orientation Course 2019; and Dual Status Commander Course 2019.

BG Ropers has been awarded the following: Legion of Merit Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with Three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (Ninth Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star device, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hour Glass and "M" device, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, NATO Medal, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, Nebraska National Guard Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Nebraska National Guard Individual Achievement Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters, Nebraska National Guard Homeland Defense Ribbon with "M" device, Nebraska National Guard Emergency Service Medal with Bronze Star and the Nebraska National Guard Service Medal with 40 year device.

BG Gary Ropers resides in Omaha, Nebraska with his wife Angie and their five children, Madelynn, Michael, Macie, Malorie, and Matthew. His two older children and their families are Paige and Chris Swanson (sons Warren and Easton), and Justin and Shelbi Ropers who live in Holdrege, Nebraska.