## **Command Sergeant Major Jimmy Joe B. Castro**

Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Castro is from the village of Toto, Guam. He enlisted in the United States Army in June 1998; attended One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri where he graduated as a 12B, Combat Engineer. He reclassified in 2003 to 25L, Cable Systems Installer Maintainer.

During his 26 years of service, CSM Castro has served in positions from Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Operations Sergeant, Communications Advisor, Plans and Operations NCO, First Sergeant, Deputy Commandant, Senior Communications Chief, Operations Sergeant Major, Battalion and Brigade Command Sergeant Major.

His assignments include 84<sup>th</sup> Engineer Co-2<sup>nd</sup> ACR, Fort Polk Louisiana; HHC-2<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Battalion, Camp Castle Korea; Charlie Co-440<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion, Darmstadt Germany; HHC-15<sup>th</sup> Regimental Signal Brigade, Fort Gordon Georgia; External MiTT, Umm Qasr Port Iraq; HHC-5<sup>th</sup> Signal Command, Wiesbaden Germany; HSC/Charlie Co- 602<sup>nd</sup> Aviation Support Battalion & HHC-2d Combat Aviation Brigade, Camp Humphreys Korea; Eight Army (8A) Wightman NCO Academy, Camp Jackson Korea; United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss Texas; HHB- 8A G35, Camp Humphreys Korea; 304th Expeditionary Signal Battalion, Camp Humphreys Korea, and 11th Signal Brigade, Fort Cavazos Texas.

CSM Castro holds a Master of Science degree in Management with a concentration in Organizational Leadership through Excelsior College and a Bachelor of Arts in Transportation and Logistics Management with American Military University.

His military education is varied and includes Primary Leadership Development Course, Air Assault School, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Equal Opportunity Leaders Course, Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Level II, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course, Military Transition Team (MiTT) Class 58, COMSEC Custodian and LCMS Course, Combatives Level 1, HAZMAT Driver Training, Digital Training Management System Master Trainer Course, Battle Staff NCO Course, Master Fitness Trainer Course, 2d Infantry Division's Company Commander/First Sergeant Course, Master Resilience Trainer Course, Foundation Instructor Facilitator Course, Knowledge Management Qualification Course, Sergeants Major Course-Class 68, and the Battalion and Brigade Pre-Command Course and CSM Development Course.

CSM Castro's awards and decorations include the Presidential Unit Citation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Superior Unit Award, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (1OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (2OLC), Army Commendation Medal (3OLC), Army Achievement Medal (SOLC), Coast Guard Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (8), National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (4CS), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (8), Air Assault Badge, Driver's Badge-W, and the Signal Corps Regimental Association's Bronze Order of Mercury.

He is married to the former Jessica Marie Evangelista and they have four children and two grandchildren.