



# William J. Butler

Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)  
Chief of Staff, National Veterans Memorial and Museum

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-Present

**Chief of Staff, NVMM**  
**Assistant Instructor, John Glenn College of Public Affairs**

2017-2019

**Senior Department of the Army, Civilian**  
U.S. Army, Africa

## U.S. ARMY EXPERIENCE

2015-2017

**Director of Operations**  
U.S. Army Cadet Command

2013-2015

**Deputy Commandant**  
U.S. Army Infantry School

1990-2015

**Various roles in the U.S. Army**

## EDUCATION

**Harvard Kennedy School**  
Senior Executive Fellow

**U.S. Army War College**  
MS, Strategic Studies

**Troy State University**  
MS, Education

**Eastern Kentucky University**  
BA, History

## MEMBERSHIP

- ★ National Infantry Assoc.
- ★ 75th Ranger Regiment Assoc.
- ★ 173d Airborne Brigade Assoc.
- ★ DAV and American Legion
- ★ Veterans Studies Association Board of Advisors

## EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Bill leads strategic planning initiatives and staff synchronization for the Museum. These include the Annual Plan, the Resilience and Wellness Program, and key national holiday ceremonies. He leads outreach to Veteran Service Organizations at the national thru local levels and is a moderator for monthly Rally Point programs.

Before returning to Ohio in 2019, he was a senior Department of the Army civilian at U.S. Army Africa in Vicenza, Italy.

He was a career Infantry officer and retired from the U.S. Army in 2017, after 27 years of active-duty service all over the world. He's lived in five different countries.

Key assignments included:

- ★ Planned and led leader development exercises and programs at U.S. Army Cadet Command, the U.S. Army Infantry School, the United States Military Academy at West Point, and with key African and European allies and partners.
- ★ Commanded Light Infantry, Ranger, and Airborne units thru battalion level and extensive staff experience at the combined / joint task force and lower levels.
- ★ Three, year-long combat deployments to Iraq (1) and Afghanistan (2).
- ★ Military technical advisor and stuntman for the movie "Black Hawk Down."
- ★ Mentor, trainer, and military leadership panel member for Emory University's, Goizueta Business School.

Raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was a Distinguished Military Graduate from Eastern Kentucky University and was commissioned a Regular Army Second Lieutenant in 1990.

Bill and his wife, Mindy, are the proud parents of two adult children, who have both chosen professions in public or military service. Throughout his career, he received numerous awards and honors.