



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

SPECIAL AGENT CHESTER J. MCBRIDE

Special Agent (SSgt) Chester J. McBride graduated from Statesboro High School, Statesboro, Ga., in 2003. He earned his bachelor of science degree in Criminal Justice from Savannah State University in 2007 and a Master of Public Administration degree from Valdosta State University in 2015.

He entered the United States Air Force in 2007, and following basic training and graduating from the Security Forces Academy at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he began his career assigned to Moody Air Force Base, Ga., as a ground combat specialist and fire team leader with the 822nd Security Forces Squadron. While with the 822nd, SA McBride deployed to Iraq as a machine-gunner on a joint tasking with the United States Army and conducted over 120 combat operations to secure over 340 square kilometers. He later deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and was credited with 22 outside-the-wire missions and 350 joint patrols to enable a 70-percent decrease of enemy fire against his operating base. On one such patrol, SA McBride and his team secured a landing zone in a high-threat area to safely transport six wounded Afghan soldiers.



During 2012, he graduated from the United States Air Force Special Investigations Academy at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Brunswick, Ga., and returned to Moody Air Force Base briefly to conduct Special Agent duties at AFOSI Detachment 211. He was reassigned to AFOSI Detachment 405, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., where he quickly advanced his skills to develop complex investigations that, in one instance, spurred the creation of a multi-agency counterintelligence task force. He deployed to Expeditionary Detachment 2405, Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel in 2015.