

## **Brooks Schild Bio**

Brooks Schild Joined Combat Support Company of the 1<sup>st</sup> BN, 168<sup>th</sup> Infantry, Iowa Army National Guard, Council Bluffs, IA in January, 1990. Schild left the IARNG in 2000 and moved with his family to Yankton. In 2005, he joined Charlie Battery, 1-147<sup>th</sup> FA in Yankton as a MLRS section chief. He deployed to Baghdad, Iraq in 2005 and then deployed to Kuwait in 2009. He transferred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn, 196<sup>th</sup> RTI in 2012 and in April, 2014, Schild was selected as 1SG of Bravo Battery, 1-147<sup>th</sup> FA in Yankton where he served until his recent appointment as the Area Operations Sergeant of Headquarters Company, 196<sup>th</sup> Maneuver Enhanced Brigade in Sioux Falls. Brooks Schild, a science teacher at Yankton Middle School, has been married to his wife Joan for nearly 34 years. They have three children and one granddaughter.

**Military Awards:** Recipient of the Order of Saint Barbara, Bronze Star Medal with Valor, Meritorious Service Medal (1), Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation ribbon, Coast Guard Commandants letter of Commendation, Army Commendation Medal (3), Army Achievement Medal (6), Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (5), National Defense Service Medal w/Bronze Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (2) w/campaign star among others.

**Comments:** It is an honor to represent the Veterans of South Dakota. I look forward to listening to Veteran needs and being an advocate for and provide the pathway for all Veterans and their families to receive the benefits due to them.