



Colonel Andrew Shoffner was born at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He attended three different high schools, including two years at Leavenworth High. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant of armor when he graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1990.

COL Shoffner's first assignment was at Fort Stewart, Georgia where he served as a Scout Platoon Leader, HHT Executive Officer, and Squadron Motor Officer for the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division's Cavalry Squadron—the 2<sup>nd</sup> Squadron, 4<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Regiment.

Following graduation from the Advanced Course, COL Shoffner was assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina with the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division's parachute tank battalion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion (Airborne), 73<sup>rd</sup> Armor Regiment, where he served as an assistant S3/Battle Captain. Upon that unit's deactivation, he was assigned back to Fort Stewart, Georgia (3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division) where he served as the assistant S3, HHC Company Commander, and Alpha Company Commander for the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 64<sup>th</sup> Armor Regiment.

After company level command, COL Shoffner served two years in the Pentagon; first as a Joint Staff intern in J5, and then as a war plans officer on the Army Staff in DAMO-SSW (war plans division). He then attended the Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) at Fort Leavenworth, KS.

COL Shoffner's next assignment was with the 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division. From 2003-2004, he was the Division G3 planner in Baghdad, Iraq. From 2004-2005, COL Shoffner served as the Battalion Operations Officer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 37<sup>th</sup> Armor Regiment (Bandits!) in Friedberg, Germany. COL Shoffner then served as the Brigade Operations Officer for the Ready First Combat Team (RFCT, 1/1 AD) from 2005-2007. During this time, he deployed the Brigade to Tal Afar and Ramadi, Iraq and initiated the closing of Ray Barracks in Friedberg, Germany. From 2007-2008, COL Shoffner was the aide-de-camp to the USAREUR Commander in Heidelberg, Germany.

COL Shoffner commanded the 4<sup>th</sup> Squadron, 9<sup>th</sup> U. S. Cavalry from 2008-2010, during which time he deployed the squadron to combat in Kirkuk, Iraq. In 2010, COL Shoffner was assigned to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas where he served as the Executive Officer to the CG, Combined Arms Center. Following this assignment, COL Shoffner attended the Advanced Operational Arts Studies Fellowship (AOASF) with a follow-on assignment as a SAMS Seminar Leader. From 2013-2014, COL Shoffner was assigned to ISAF HQ in Kabul, Afghanistan where he served as the Director for the Commander's Action Group and the Director of the Security Force Assistance Fusion Cell. Upon return from deployment, COL Shoffner was assigned as the Executive Officer to the CG, Combined Arms Center. He assumed command of the United States Army Garrison, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in June of 2015.

COL Shoffner's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (3 OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), the Joint Service Achievement Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal (3 OLC). He also earned the Combat Action Badge, the Army Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.