

## VETERANS

\*\*\* HALL OF FAME \*\*\*

## SCOTT M. WARD

Scott M. Ward served in the United States Army and achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

A native of Steuben County, New York, Mr. Ward was commissioned through the ROTC program at Cornell University in 1988. He served as an Infantry Platoon Leader, Light Armored Cavalry Troop Commander, Infantry Brigade Liaison Officer, Basic Combat Training Company Commander, and Battalion/Brigade Operations Officer.

In his first combat deployment, Mr. Ward served as a Senior Military Advisor of a Military Transition Team (MiTT) with the Iraqi Intervention Forces (IIF) in Fallujah, Iraq from 2004 to 2005.

After transitioning out of Iraq, Mr. Ward returned stateside and was recruited for a Battalion Executive Officer position by the incoming commander of the new Regional Training Center East at Fort Dix, New Jersey. He supervised combat service support personnel to prepare soldiers for mobilization to Iraq and Afghanistan. During his tenure, more than 4,500 soldiers underwent training.

From 2009 to 2012, Mr. Ward served as Installation Mobilization Officer at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. While there, he was given the additional duty of Deputy Director of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security of the Installation. He was recruited to serve as the Officer in Charge of the South Carolina Agribusiness Development Team 3-49 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan in 2013.

Mr. Ward received numerous prestigious military awards, including the Bronze Star Medal (OLC), Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Air Assault Badge, Airborne Badge, Meritorious Service Medal (OLC), Army Commendation Medal (OLC), and the Army Achievement Medal (two OLCs).

After returning home to Steuben County, Mr. Ward has continued a life of service as a member of the Bath Central School Board, Vice President of the Steuben County Farm Bureau, Board of Directors of American Legion Charles E. Westcott Post 0173, and member of the Safety and Security Team at Victory Highway Wesleyan Church. He is a well-known agriculture education promoter for area schools, a GST BOCES Agriculture Advisor, and a member of Congressman Nick Langworthy's Agriculture Advisory Committee.

He and his wife, Kari, have three children, sons Bradley (Gabrielle) and Christopher (Alexandra), and daughter, Danielle (Chase) Howard. They currently own and operate Windydale Farm in Avoca, New York.



SCOTT M. WARD WAS SELECTED AS A
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