



VETERANS

★★★ HALL OF FAME ★★★

MICHAEL ADRIAN

Michael Adrian served in the United States Army National Guard for a total of 23 years. He earned the rank of Sergeant First Class.

Mr. Adrian was born in the Bronx, but moved with his family to Coxsackie, where he graduated from Coxsackie High School in 1983. He began his military service when he enlisted in the Army on September 7, 1983 and served as a Cook, eventually becoming Battalion Mess Sergeant. Mr. Adrian then went on to serve in the National Guard until 2003. He was called back to active duty in 2003, serving with the “Big Red One,” the 1st Infantry Division in Iraq, until he was honorably discharged in September 2005.

Mr. Adrian achieved the rank of Army Sergeant First Class with the 2nd Battalion, 108th Headquarters, Battalion First Food Service. He earned numerous recognitions including six Army Achievement Awards, seven Army Commendation Awards (the second highest Army award), State Defense Awards, Civil and Federal Awards, the Presidential Award, and Overseas Awards for his dedication to the Armed Forces.

Dedicated to service and his community, Mr. Adrian is the current Commander of the Cairo American Legion Mohican Post 983, a title he has held for the last decade. Under Mr. Adrian’s leadership, Post 983 sponsors a floor in the Albany Stratton VA Medical Center where they donate items that include televisions and blankets to veterans in need. Under his leadership, a partnership was initiated between Post 983 and the Cairo Historical Society to create the first Hometown Heroes banner event in New York State. This instituted the recognition of individuals from Cairo who have served in the United States Armed Forces, with banners in their honor displayed throughout the town. Each year, Mr. Adrian leads and organizes the annual Cairo Memorial Day Parade, drawing hundreds of individuals to honor fallen soldiers.

Through his work with American Legion Post 983, and his leadership in community outreach, Mr. Adrian continues to support the veterans of Greene County.

Mr. Adrian currently lives in Cairo, with his wife, Nancy, and daughter, Megan.



MICHAEL ADRIAN WAS SELECTED AS A 2021
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SENATOR MICHELLE HINCHEY.

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