

# Biography

*Sgt. 1st Class John Aughtman*

Drop Zone Safety Officer

U.S. Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights"



## Personal Statistics

Hometown: Clayton, Georgia

School Attended: Rabun County High School

## Biographical Sketch

Sgt. 1st Class John Aughtman is an 11B, Airborne Infantryman, serving as a the United States Army Parachute Team's Emergency Medical Technician, and Drop Zone Safety Officer.

Aughtman enlisted into the Army in 2001 was sent directly to the U.S. Army Infantry and Airborne schools at Fort Benning, Ga. Upon completion of training, he moved on to the B Company 2/505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team of the 82nd Airborne Division. From there, Aughtman also completed U. S. Army Air Assault, Jumpmaster School, Sniper School and the Special Operations Target Interdiction Course.



Aughtman has traveled extensively in his Army career to countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Germany, Kuwait, Ireland, France and the United Kingdom.

Throughout his career Aughtman has earned the following awards. He has the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal w/Valor, Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Afghan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terror Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Overseas Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal (1 OLC), National Defense Medal and the Army Service Medal.

John has 700 free-fall parachute jumps and 50 military static line jumps. In his free time John works as a paramedic. He enjoys fighting fires, shooting and riding dirt bikes.

