## Biography

SP. COLDEN KNIGHTS

*Sat. Ist Class Ty Kettenhofen* Demonstration Parachutist, Gold Team U.S. Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights"

## **Personal Statistics**

Hometown: Orange, California School Attended: Orange High School

## **Biographical Sketch**

Sgt. 1st Class Ty Kettenhofen serves as a Demonstration Parachutist of the Gold Demonstration Team for the U.S. Army Parachute Team.

Kettenhofen enlisted more than 14 years ago and attended basic training and advanced individual training to become an Infantryman, 11B, at Fort Benning, Ga.

His previous duty stations include Fort Lewis, Wash., Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Benning, Ga. Serving as an Infantryman, Kettenhofen has four combat tours to both Iraq and Afghanistan



and has also been previously assigned as a Jumpmaster Instructor at the United States Army Jumpmaster School.

His awards and decorations include the Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and Combat Infantryman Badge.

Since learning to skydive in 2018, he has logged more than 650 free-fall parachute jumps.

In his free time, Kettenhofen enjoys skydiving, scuba diving, riding dirt bikes, and spending time with his family.

