



Master Gunnery Sergeant Jose M. Reyes Jr **Marine Forces Command**

Master Gunnery Sergeant Jose M. Reyes Jr. was born September 15, 1982 in New York City, New York. He enlisted into the United States Marine Corps in 2001 beginning basic training on 13 August and graduating on 11 November of the same year. After attending the Marine Combat Training, Private First Class (PFC) Reyes reported to Camp Johnson, North Carolina to Personnel Administration School.

Upon graduating from Personnel Administration School, PFC Reyes reported to Marine Barracks 8th and I, Washington, DC. After completing his tour in Washington, DC, on December of 2004, Corporal Reyes then transferred to United States Central Command (USCENTCOM), Tampa, Florida. During his tour in USCENTCOM he deployed numerous times in support of operation ENDURING FREEDOM.



On December 2007, after completing his tour at USCENTCOM, Sergeant Reyes then transferred to 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron 1 (MWHS-1) Okinawa, Japan. On February 2009, during his tour at MWHS-1, Sergeant Reyes was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant. During his tour at MWHS-1 he held the position of Administrator Chief and Squadron Gunnery Sergeant. In addition, he supported Marine Aircraft Group by deploying to the Philippines in support of Exercise PHIBLEX 2009.

After completing his tour at MWHS-1, Staff Sergeant Reyes then transferred to the Marine Security Guard, Detachment Commander Course and graduated in November 2010. Staff Sergeant Reyes was also awarded the Leadership award for the Marine Security Guard Course. On December 2010 he was issued orders for the US Embassy La Paz, Bolivia and US Embassy Dakar, Senegal where he served as the Detachment Commander at both embassies. In December 2013, he was promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant.

In January 2014, Gunnery Sergeant Reyes then transferred to 1st Battalion, 2d Marines as the Administrative Chief. While serving with 1st Battalion, 2d Marines he deployed to Afghanistan and supported the Unit Deployed Program where he deployed to Japan and South Korea. In November 2016, Gunnery Sergeant Reyes then transferred to Headquarters Marine Corps where he served as the Senior Enlisted Advisor, Administrative Chief, and Security Coordinator for Administration and Resource Management Division. In February 2019, he was then promoted to the rank of Master Sergeant.

On August 2020, Master Sergeant Reyes transferred to Marine Corps Forces Europe and Africa (MFEA) Stuttgart, Germany as a Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officer. While serving with MFEA, he worked with key European Amphibious Allies and partners, to include NATO countries in Security Cooperation. In December 2022, he was then promoted to the current rank of Master Gunnery Sergeant.

In March 2023, Master Gunnery Sergeant Reyes transferred to Marine Forces Command as a G-1 Chief, where he is currently serving.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Reyes is married to Mrs. Katie M. Reyes from Bay City, Texas.

EDUCATION: Bachelor's in arts in International Relations from American Military University.
Master's in science in National Security from American Military University.

PERSONAL DECORATIONS: Meritorious Service Medal (2), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.