

ALEX R. MITCHELL
STAFF SERGEANT, USMCR



Staff Sergeant Alex R. Mitchell enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in September of 2003 and participated in the Delayed Entry Program. In May of 2004, he graduated from Mountain View High School in Orem, UT. Then in July of the same year he reported to Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, CA. He then attended School of Infantry-West (MOS 0311) and completed the training as Honor Graduate and was meritoriously promoted to Lance Corporal. In January of 2005, Lance Corporal Mitchell reported to Charlie Company, 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance (LAR) Battalion in Riverton, UT.

In November of 2005, Lance Corporal Mitchell was allowed to transfer to the Inactive Ready Reserve for two years in order to serve a religious mission in Novosibirsk, Russia for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. While in Russia, he served in five different cities; Novosibirsk, Krasnoyarsk, Tomsk, Barnaul, and Angarsk, where he had

the opportunity to serve in various church leadership positions, give service to the Russian people and learned to speak fluent Russian.

In October of 2007 Lance Corporal Mitchell returned to the United States and checked back into Charlie Company, 4th LAR. In May of 2008, he transferred to Delta Company, Anti-Terrorism Battalion (ATBN) in Billings, MT and was mobilized in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and attached to 1st Battalion, 12th Marines as part of Task Force Military Police. During pre-deployment training Lance Corporal Mitchell was promoted to Corporal. While in Iraq, he served as the lead gunner while providing convoy security out of Al Asad, and as team leader while conducting foot patrols out of Combat Outpost Heider in the city of Rabiah including overseeing the Iraqi pre-election security and supporting an Army Border Transition Team (BTT) at the port of entry on the Syrian Border. In April of 2009 Delta Company, ATBN redeployed to Camp Pendleton, CA, and then demobilized in May of 2009.

In June of 2009, Corporal Mitchell transferred back to Charlie Company, 4th LAR and was mobilized the following month in support of Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF). While in Afghanistan, Corporal Mitchell operated out of North Station near Combat Outpost Payne near the village of Dewalak and other various temporary patrol bases. He served as the Team Leader for the point team and was in charge of all interaction with the local populace via interpreter. Over the course of the deployment, he was involved with the confiscation of tens of millions of dollars worth of drugs, weapons, and IED making materials, as well as the detention of the individuals involved. Corporal Mitchell also worked with the Afghan National Border Police to help train them to protect their own borders. In May of 2010, Charlie Company, 4th LAR redeployed to Camp Pendleton and demobilized.

Shortly after returning home from Afghanistan, Corporal Mitchell was promoted to Sergeant and filled the billet of Company Chief Scout. He oversaw the majority of the planning and development of the training for the Scouts each month. He also organized and planned the Marine Corps Birthday Ball for seven consecutive years. In July of 2014, Sergeant Mitchell was promoted to Staff Sergeant. For the duration of his time in Charlie Company since their return from Afghanistan, Staff Sergeant Mitchell continued to fill the billet of Chief Scout while taking on additional billets to include Platoon Sergeant and at times, Acting First Sergeant. In February of 2018, Staff Sergeant Mitchell transferred to his current billet of Military Advisor for the US Navy's Civil Engineer Corps Officer School (CECOS), out of Port Hueneme, CA.

Staff Sergeant Mitchell is the owner of Sav-Mor Auto Clinic, Inc. in Orem, UT. His personal awards include the Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal with one gold star and the Combat Action Ribbon.

Staff Sergeant Mitchell is married to Nicole Mitchell, they have one daughter and one son.