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Command Sgt. Maj. Bradford L. Smith currently serves as the Command Sergeant Major of the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command (ATEC), a position he assumed in August 2024. Prior to this assignment, he served as the Command Sergeant Major for the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command (AMCOM) at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Throughout his more than 31-year career, he has served in a wide range of leadership and operational roles, from Team Member to Commandant of a Noncommissioned Officer Academy.

A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, Smith enlisted in the United States Army on December 1, 1993. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and graduated from Advanced Individual Training at Fort Eustis, Virginia, in June 1994 as a CH-47 Medium Helicopter Repairer.



Smith's military education includes all levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Education System, culminating with the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy (Class 65). He has also completed the U.S. Army War College Nominative Leaders Course and the National Defense University Keystone Course. He is a graduate of the First Sergeant Course, Drill Sergeant Academy, Airborne School, Pathfinder School, Air Assault School, and Air Crew Life Support Course. Additional training includes the Battalion and Brigade Pre-Command Courses, Aviation Pre-Command Course, Modern Army Combatives Levels I and II, and the Equal Opportunity Leaders Course. He holds an Associate of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Excelsior College. He is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in American History from American Military University.

Smith's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (2nd award), Bronze Star Medal (2nd award), Meritorious Service Medal (5th award), Air Medal with "V" Device and Numeral 5, Army Commendation Medal (10th award), and Army Achievement Medal (6th award). Additional recognitions include the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal (10th award), National Defense Service Medal (2nd award), Korean Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, Humanitarian Service Medal (2nd award), NATO Medal, and multiple professional development and service ribbons. He is authorized to wear the Combat Action Badge, Master Aviation Badge, Airborne Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, and the Driver and Mechanic Badge. He is also a recipient of the Honorable Order of Saint George and the Honorable Order of Saint Michael (Silver Award).

Smith is married, has three children, and four grandchildren.