

BRAD GARDNER
DEPUTY TO THE COMMANDER,
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Brad Gardner is the Deputy to the Commander for Letterkenny Munitions Center, located in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. His federal career spans more than two decades in Class V operations.

Gardner is from Newburg, Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in July 1994, following graduation from Shippensburg Area Senior High School. He served as a Communications Specialist with the 1-509th Parachute Infantry Regiment (P.I.R) at Fort Polk (known as Fort Johnson since 2023), Louisiana, and the 1-501st P.I.R. at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

After leaving active duty in July 1998, Gardner enlisted in the Pennsylvania National Guard, serving as a Communications Specialist in the 104th Long Range Surveillance Detachment and 2-104th Aviation Battalion until 2005.

While serving in the Pennsylvania National Guard, Gardner earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Wood Products from Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania.

In 2006, he joined the West Virginia Air National Guard as a crew member for the C-5 Galaxy in support of multiple exercises and operations.

Gardner returned to the Army Reserve in 2012 as an Ammunition Specialist and subsequently became an Ammunition Technician Warrant Officer in 2014. He retired as a Chief Warrant Officer 2 in 2019, concluding 23 years of military service.

Gardner began working at Letterkenny Munitions Center in October 2004 as a Munitions Destroyer. He was employed at Letterkenny Army Depot from 2006 until 2009, when he returned to LEMC to fulfill a variety of roles in the Maintenance and Demil Directorate as well as the Depot Operations Directorate. Gardner served as Supervisor of the Depot Operations Planning Division in 2019 and was designated as Deputy of the Depot Operations Directorate later that year. In January 2020, he became the Director of Depot Operations. He was named Deputy to the Commander in 2022.

Gardner's military experience includes deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. His military education includes Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Leader Course, Warrant Officer Candidate School, Warrant Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, Water Survival School, and Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape School.

