



Veterinary Services Europe 100th Medical Detachment (VS HQ)



Noncommissioned officer in charge, 51st Medical Detachment (VM)



Born in Burlington, Iowa along the Mississippi River, Sgt. 1st Class Shaffer graduated from high school in the top 10 percent of her class. She attended Coe College on an academic scholarship, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Her assignments include Veterinary Science Division, Animal Medicine Special Projects Branch, Army Medical Department; Grand Forks AFB, N.D.; and Lajes Field, Azores.

In 1995 she was selected as a recruiter and stationed in Corpus Christi, Texas. She returned to the veterinary fold in 1999 with an assignment as the Operations NCO and then 1st Sgt. for Northern California District Veterinary Command, Tracy, Calif. From there she reported to her present duty as Detachment NCOIC for the 51st Medical Detachment (VM), Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Sgt. 1st Class Shaffer earned the Distinguished Honor Graduate for Advanced Individual Training, 91T – Animal Care Specialist advanced course and Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course. Her additional training includes instructor, Combined Humanitarian Assistance Response Training course certification, Customer Service Trainer, Alcohol Substance Abuse Program coordinator, and Standard Installation/Division Personnel System III work center supervisor certification.