

## CSM Pianosi Biographical sketch

CSM Pianosi enlisted in the Army in March of 1981. He served 4 years in the active Army as a 13B, cannon crewman, with the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division. He then transferred to the Army Reserves in 1985 as a 45B, small arms inspection and repair, with the 969<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Company. His chemical career began by enrolling in the NBC defense course in 1987. He then completed the 12 week BNCOC/reclassification course for 54B at Fort McClellan, AL in 1993 and became the NBC NCO for the 969<sup>th</sup>.

In 1998 he was promoted to Sergeant First Class and assigned to the 865<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Hospital (CSH). His position was NBC NCO and he also became the NCOIC of the patient decontamination team.

In Nov 2002, he was mobilized with the 865<sup>th</sup> CSH and deployed to Camp Doha, Kuwait. The mission was health service support for coalition forces in Kuwait with an additional duty as the medical treatment facility for chemical casualties. CSM Pianosi not only performed the duties as NBC NCO and patient decontamination team NCOIC, he was also the operations and training NCO. The 865<sup>th</sup> supported the initial phases of Operation Iraqi Freedom and redeployed in July of 2003.

In July of 2006, SFC Pianosi was promoted and assigned as the 1SG of the 320<sup>th</sup> CM Co. The company consisted of a reconnaissance platoon, three decontamination platoons, and a bio-detection platoon.

In 2008, the 320<sup>th</sup> was alerted for a deployment to Iraq as a Civil Affairs Company. This provisional unit was identified as the 1320<sup>th</sup> CA Company. As First Sergeant, CSM Pianosi not only assisted in reconfiguring the unit for its new mission, but also planned and coordinated the training required to validate for deployment. In July 2009, the 1320<sup>th</sup> CA Co deployed to Iraq and supported the reconstruction efforts in the Salah Ad Din Province. In May 2010 the 1320<sup>th</sup> redeployed and was deactivated. CSM Pianosi returned to the position of 1SG of the 320<sup>th</sup> CM Co and due to the lack of a qualified officer, CSM Pianosi also assumed the duties as Temporary Commander until November 2010.

CSM Pianosi is currently the Command Sergeant Major of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bn 309<sup>th</sup> Regiment (TS) (CS/CSS) located in Liverpool, NY

Awards and Decorations include: Honor Graduate of BNCOC and ANCO, a Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal w/1 Oak Leaf cluster, two Army Commendation Medals, 8 Army Achievement medals, and the Chemical Regimental Association Order of the Dragon. During his tenure as 1SG of the 320<sup>th</sup> CM Co, the 320<sup>th</sup> was awarded the General Siebert Award for best Chemical Company in the Army Reserves, the General Kerwin Readiness Award, and the Reserve Officers Association Best Company Award.