

GUNNER'S MATE FIRST CLASS KYLE MENDENHALL USS KANSAS CITY (LCS 22)

Gunner's Mate 1st Class Kyle Mendenhall, a native of San Diego enlisted in the Navy in October of 201 and attended Recruit Training Command in January 2012.

His first tour of duty was aboard USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6), when the ship was part of the forward-deployed naval forces in Sasebo, Japan.

Mendenhall joined the littoral combat ship community in June 2014 with orders to commission Surface Warfare Detachment Six (SUW Det 6). After commissioning SUW Det 6, he served aboard USS Freedom (LCS 1), USS Fort Worth (LCS 3) and USS Detroit (LCS 7).



He deployed on USS Fort Worth's maiden deployment to the 7th Fleet area of operation from 2015-2016, during which time he completed training operations with Cambodian naval forces, training them on Maritime Interdiction Operations.

He completed a shore tour with Naval Construction Group Two in Gulfport, Mississippi before returning to serve aboard USS Kansas City (LCS 22) as Leading Petty Officer of the ship's armory and force protection team.