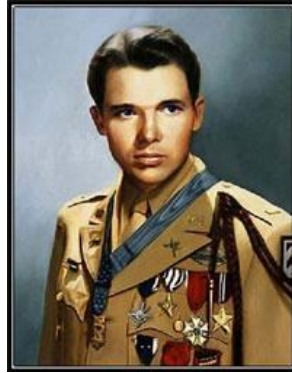


# USARJ CHAPTER SERGEANT AUDIE MURPHY CLUB



YOU LEAD FROM THE FRONT!



The USARJ Sergeant Audie Murphy Club (SAMC) is a nonprofit private organization committed to contributing to the community. The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club is operated solely by its members and is not affiliated with the Army. The club raises money for activities either by donation or through fund raising activities. USARJ Chapter is comprised of the Ichidan Chapter on Camp Zama and Ryukyu Islands Chapter on Torri Station.



The USARJ Sergeant Audie Murphy Club is comprised of the top two percent of the noncommissioned officers in the U.S. Army. They are selected to the club based on demonstrated leadership, professionalism and overall general military knowledge. These NCOs demonstrate excellence on a daily basis. Each sergeant is responsible for the training and welfare of the Soldiers in their care. These distinguished NCOs directly influence each person who works under them. Each member constantly displays a positive attitude at work and is an upstanding citizen in the community. It is a prestigious honor to be a member of this elite club.

## THE HISTORY OF THE SERGEANT AUDIE MURPHY ASSOCIATION



The original club was started at Fort Hood, Texas early in 1986. There were several key people at Fort Hood - officer, enlisted, civil service, and a Killeen civilian - who were instrumental in getting this club up and running.

Leading the effort was Lieutenant General Crosbie Saint, then the III Corps commander; his Command Sergeant Major George L. Horvath; III Corps Awards Clerk Jean Crisp, and Don Moore, a Killeen artist who assisted with designing the logo and club awards.

In 1991, then III Corps Commander Lieutenant General Pete Taylor and Command Sergeant Major Richard B. Cayton expanded the Fort Hood installation club to include all of III Corps. This included Fort Riley, Kansas; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Polk, Louisiana; and Fort Carson, Colorado.

In 1993, CSM Cayton was voted into the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club by the membership and then became the Forces Command Sergeant Major. Soon thereafter, the club became Forces-Command (FORSCOM) wide, including the Reserves and National Guard.

In 1994 at a Sergeant Major of the Army conference, the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club spread Army-wide, to all commands with installations retaining the selection process for their own NCOs. In 1998, it was estimated that the club membership was over 3000 soldiers and was steadily increasing. As of today, thousands of NCOs have been inducted into the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club who continue to make a difference.



- [SAMC Constitution](#)
- [SAMC By-Laws](#)
- [SAMC MOI & Nomination Checklist w/ Packet Example & Coversheets](#)
- [USARJ Regulation 600-25](#)
- [Audie L. Murphy Memorial Website \(audiemurphy.com\)](#)

