Major General Gavin J. Gardner Commanding General, 8th Theater Sustainment Command

Major General Gavin J. Gardner assumed command of the 8th Theater Sustainment Command on July 03, 2024. Under his leadership, the 8th TSC provides mission command for Army, Joint, and Combined operational-level sustainment within the USINDOPACOM AOR and integrates and synchronizes strategic sustainment capabilities in support of Joint All-Domain Operations.



Major General Gardner is a third generation Army brat and a native of Georgia. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Ordnance Corps branch, detailed to the Armor Corps in 1992. He is a Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor's of Business Administration Degree in Production and Operations Management. He earned a Master's of Science in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute of Technology in 2002, and a Master's of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College in 2014.

Major General Gardner's assignments include: Tank Platoon Leader, D CO, 2-37th Armor Regiment, 3d BDE, 3ID, Vilseck, Germany, 1993-1994, deploying for Operation Intrinsic Action, 1993. Executive Officer and Tech Supply Officer, B CO, 26th Forward Support Battalion, 3ID, Vilseck, Germany, 1994-1995. Logistics Planner, 13th Corps Support Command, Fort Hood, 1996-1997. Commander, B CO, 215th Forward Support Battalion, 1CD, Fort Hood, 1997-1998. Observer Controller, "Timberwolves" Maneuver Task Force Training Team & "Adlers" Logistics Training team, Combat Maneuver Training Center (CMTC), Germany, 1998-2001. Training Developer and Writer, Ordnance Center and School, Fort Lee, 2003. BDE S4, 3d ABCT, 4ID, Fort Cason, 2005-2008, deploying for OIF 2007 and OIF 2009. G5 Logistics Planner, Deputy G4, Deputy Chief of Staff, 4ID, Fort Carson, 2008-2010, deploying for OIF 2009. Commander, 100th Brigade Support Battalion, 75th Fires BDE, 1ID, Fort Sill, 2010-2012. Chief of Sustainment/G4, 4ID, Fort Carson, 2012-2013. Support Operations Officer, 1st Sustainment Command (Theater), Fort Bragg, 2014-2015, deploying to OEF/OIR. Commander, 82d ABN DIV SUST BDE, 82d ABN, Fort Bragg, 2015-2017. J4 – Director for Logistics for U.S. Forces-Afghanistan (USFOR-A), Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, 2017-2018 for OFS. Director, Commanding General's Initiatives Group and Commanding General's Executive Officer, Army Material Command, Redstone Arsenal, 2018-2020. Commanding General of the Joint Munitions Command, Rock Island Arsenal, 2020-2022. Director for Logistics & Engineering (J4), U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, Camp Smith, 2022-2024.

Major General Gardner's awards and achievements include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (2 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Bronze Star Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (6 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Combat Action Badge, and Parachutist Wings.