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Murfreesboro native named Tennessee Guard's best marksman at shooting competition

TULLAHOMA, Tenn. – More than 75 members of the Tennessee National Guard competed Aug. 19–21 at the Adjutant General Match, a three-day marksmanship training event and shooting competition for Tennessee's Guardsmen. This weekend's match, which took place at Tullahoma's Volunteer Training Site, focused on handgun proficiency, while the rifle match took place in May.

2nd Lt. Sheridan Harrison, a Murfreesboro native, took home top honors in just her first time competing at the TAG Match. She has served in the Tennessee Army National Guard for six years and is currently a member of the 253rd Military Police Company, which is headquartered in Lenoir City.

"I didn't want to put a lot of pressure on myself," said Harrison. "There were so many awesome firers here this weekend, the best the state has to offer. I didn't think I was going to win but it was a great weekend."

The three-day event is designed to test Guardsmen's proficiency in basic and advanced marksmanship techniques. While there is a competition intertwined into the weekend, the real purpose is for competitors to learn new shooting techniques and bring those skills back to their units to help train their fellow Soldiers and Airmen, creating a more lethal fighting force.

Harrison competed alongside three members of her unit: Capt. Eric Cheatham, Spc. Nathaniel Gust, and Spc. Jacob Williams. They collectively took second place in the team competition.

Harrison graduated from Middle Tennessee State University in 2021 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Graphic Design and Marketing.

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(Left to right) Spc. Nathaniel Gust, Capt. Eric Cheatham, 2nd Lt. Sheridan Harrison, and Spc. Jacob Williams, all members of the Tennessee Army National Guard's 253rd Military Police Company, finished in second place as a team at the Adjutant General Match, Aug. 19–21, at Tullahoma's Volunteer Training Site. Harrison placed first overall in the event, taking home honors as the top firer in the Tennessee National Guard. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Timothy Cordeiro)

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