

LTC Peter (Pete) Crosthwaite is a native of Marysville, Ohio. He commissioned into the Field Artillery as a Distinguished Military Graduate in 2005 through the Ohio State University "Buckeye Battalion" Reserve Officer Training (ROTC) program. LTC Crosthwaite is a graduate of the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Maneuver Captains Career Course, Joint Firepower Controller Course, Command & General Staff Course, Joint Planner Course, Central Michigan University with a Masters in Science and Administration, and the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth, KS with a Masters in Military Art & Science.

LTC Crosthwaite served as a Company Fire Support Officer and Mortar Platoon Leader with 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd ID, deploying to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served as the Fire Control Officer, Charlie Battery Commander, 2nd Battalion, 20th Field Artillery Regiment, and the Headquarters, Headquarters Battery Commander with the 41st Field Artillery Brigade. LTC Crosthwaite later served as an Operational Planner for the Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan, and as the Operations Officer and Executive Officer for 2nd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st CD. Most recently he served as the Brigade Executive Officer for 3rd Security Force Assistance Brigade, deploying to Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

LTC Crosthwaite's military awards include the Bronze Star Medal w/ oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal w/ oak leaf cluster, the Army Commendation Medal w/ 2 oak leaf clusters, Presidential Unit Citation, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal w/ 5 oak leaf clusters, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal w/ oak leaf cluster, the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

LTC Crosthwaite has one daughter (Amelia) and one son (Ezekiel).