

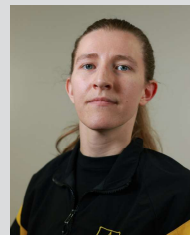


TEAM ARMY BIO

Specialist Brooke Jader was referred to the SRU due to concerns about a possible thymoma and jugular swelling. After multiple appointments, she was diagnosed with a benign thymoma and bilateral vascular thoracic outlet syndrome (TOS). Brooke underwent surgery to remove her right first rib, easing vein pressure. Despite the challenges of a med board, she believes the surgical outcomes and ongoing care are positive.

Her time at the SRU has been extensive yet rewarding. The staff and cadre have provided tremendous support, focusing on her health and well-being. SPC Jader has actively participated in ARP activities, which have allowed her to forge new friendships, explore different sports, and enrich her life with meaningful experiences. Among these, wheelchair rugby has become her favorite.

Eager to compete in the 2024 Warrior Games for Team Army, SPC Jader aims to demonstrate her capabilities and inspire others facing health setbacks. This ambition was sparked by two friends who participated in the 2023 Games, motivating her to pursue a spot on the team. SPC Jader extends her gratitude to everyone at the Ft. Riley SRU, her friends and family, and especially her husband, Jay, for their unwavering support.



Full Name

Brooke Jader

Preferred Name

Brooke

Rank/Abbreviation

Specialist/SPC

Service Branch

National Guard

Injury or Illness

Thoracic Outlet Syndrome

Hometown (City, State)

Manhattan, KS

Current Location/SRU

Fort Riley, KS

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