



**Master Chief Petty Officer Michael V. Farrell**  
**Command Master Chief**  
**Joint Interagency Task Force South**



Originally from Holly Ridge, North Carolina, Master Chief Farrell enlisted in the United States Coast Guard, having completed Basic Military Training at TRACEN Cap May, NJ., in June 1999. Master Chief Farrell completed Machinery Technician "A" School at TRACEN Yorktown, VA and continued his career across multiple levels of sea and shore duties. Master Chief Mike Farrell assumed the duties of Command Master Chief for Joint Interagency Task Force South on May 31st, 2024. His departing assignment was as the Legislative Affairs Senior Enlisted Leader to the United States House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

Master Chief Farrell's prior sea duty assignments were onboard Coast Guard Cutters RICHARD DIXON, JOSEPH TEZANOS, BRIDLE, AQUIDNECK, and LONG ISLAND as an Engineman in the Engineer Division. Master Chief Farrell's shore based assignments include US Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss, TX; SFO Fort Macon, Atlantic Beach, NC; Sector San Juan, PR; Special Missions Training Center, Camp Lejeune, NC; Marine Safety Unit Wilmington, NC; and Station Portsmouth, VA.



Master Chief Farrell's formal military education includes Keystone - Class 24-1; USA Sergeants Major Academy - Class 72; USCG Senior Enlisted Leadership Course - Class 71; and USCG Chief Petty Officer's Academy - Class 222. Master Chief Farrell holds an Associate's Degree in Business Administration from Carteret Community College at Morehead City, NC;. Bachelor's Degree in Leadership & Workforce Development from the USA Command & General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, KS; and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from University of North Carolina at Wilmington, NC.

His personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (3), the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (4), the Army Achievement Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Armed Forces Service Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, and various other personal decorations, unit citations, and campaign service awards. Master Chief Farrell is authorized permanent wear for Cutterman and Boat Forces Insignia.

Master Chief Farrell currently resides in Key West, FL., with his wife, the former Kristi Davis of Charlotte, NC. Master Chief Farrell and Kristi have two daughters, Kayla and Charleston.