

MC1(SW) Brandon Shelander
LPO, American Forces Network Yokosuka

Petty Officer 1st Class Brandon Shelander enlisted on Dec 14, 2004 in San Antonio Texas. After boot camp he attended Navy Journalist A-School (BPAS-W/BPAS-B) at the Defense Information School from March to September 2005.

His first duty station was Navy Public Affairs Support Element East (NPASE-E) from September 2005 to December 2009. He deployed four times during his tour at NPASE-E, one to the Northern Atlantic and three to South America. He joined AFN Yokosuka on Dec 11, 2009, taking part in Operation Tomodachi in March 2011 and deploying to Afghanistan from May 2011 to Feb 2012. He is currently the Leading Petty Officer (LPO) for AFN Yokosuka.

Deployments:

Neptune Warrior 2006 (USS Monterey)

Partnership for the Americas 2007 (USNS Comfort)

Partnership for the Americas 2008 (PAO for Advanced Coordination Element Team Alpha, USS Kearsarge)

UNITAS Gold/Partnership for the Americas 09 (USS Mesa Verde/USS Kauffman)

AFN Afghanistan 2011-2012 (Kabul Bureau)