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Double Trouble

Two sets of twins has Combat Support Hospital seeing double

HOHENFELS, Germany – A typical Army unit may end up having a couple Soldiers with the same last name. Sometimes two Soldiers will look strikingly similar. Perhaps even have a pair that went to basic training together and somehow ended up at the same duty station.

The 212th Combat Support Hospital however, has a unique situation all its own.

Spcs. Andre and Aiden Dominique both share the same last name, both look strikingly similar, both came in the Army together, and both now serve at the same duty station performing the same job. Sgt. Kenneth Wells and Cpl. Keith Wells share all of those characteristics as well.

As luck would have it, they are two sets of twins currently serving in the 212th CSH.

Paternal twins, the 24-year old Dominiques both serve as X-ray technicians with Bravo Co., while the Wells', who are fraternal, are in the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment working as shower, laundry and clothing repair specialists.

Though the stops along the way varied, the journeys of the two sets of twins are very similar.

Andre, the oldest Dominique, “by 30 seconds,” explained that after leaving Ft. Lauderdale, Fl and joining the Army together nearly four years ago, it has been a good journey so far – one made even more enjoyable by having his brother with him.

“We went through training together. We were stationed in Korea together, and now we’re here together,” Andre said. “It’s had its ups and downs, but we both have different strengths and weaknesses, so we tend to balance each other out.”

The 22-year old Wells twins, not surprisingly, share a similar story. They enlisted together in Fayetteville, NC in 2006. Prior to coming to the 212th, they both attended training together before being assigned to Fort Stewart, Ga.

They both say that having that one person that you can count on no matter what is priceless.

“If he’s feeling bad or has something going on I can usually sense it,” Keith said. “We can communicate a lot to each other without having to really say too much.”

Having an identical twin running around can also lead to some funny situations.

“In Korea, working at the hospital in Yongsan, we would accidently end up messing with patients every now and then,” said Andre. “I would walk out of a room through one door and then Aiden would end up coming in from somewhere else and the patients would look completely confused.”

Having one set of twins in the same unit is rare enough, but the situation at 212th is one of a kind.

“It’s a very exclusive club,” Aiden said jokingly.