



LAKEIA STOKES

Army

Bio

Lakeia Stokes is from Covington, Georgia and graduated from Newton High School where she still holds the scoring record for basketball. She received a 4-year athletic scholarship to the University of Clemson where she became the first player in the school's history to lead the team in scoring, rebounding, steals, and assists in a single season.

Lakeia later joined the United States Army where she served as a Human Resource Specialist. After serving only four years, Lakeia was medically retired after being injured by a suicide bomber while deployed in Bagram, Afghanistan. Lakeia was pinned the Purple Heart award by President Barack Obama while recovering from her injuries.

Lakeia also speaks to different organizations to share her story of how she triumphs over tragedy and remains resilient to help inspire others around the world. Lakeia is the Owner/Founder of Stokes Triumph Over Tragedy Foundation where she gives back to her community by supporting the local youth.