

UNSC

Thomas "Tommy" Hanes

DOB: 9/3/2521



Basic Information

Enlistment Date: 2/24/2542

Birthplace: Manassas, Reach

Gender: Male

Occupation: OODST Bullfrog

Ethnicity: Scottish/French

Languages: English/Gaelic

Dialect: Continental English

Blood Type: A+

Eye Color: Teal Blue

Hair Color: Reddish Brown



Personal Information

Rank: E-7

Service number: 33217-15259TH

Height: 6'2

Weight: 217 lbs

Body Type: Athletic

Personality:

-Patient: Hanes is unlikely to overreact and more likely to plan his moves carefully. He is cautious of sending anyone under his command somewhere he wouldn't go himself.

-Witty: Sgt Hanes is an expert at using unconventional means to accomplish tasks. Setting ambushes and traps come easily. He can also quip with the best of the best.

-Blunt: Hanes is the first to tell you something is wrong, and will do so in the most honest way possible. That however, does not shine well with his commanding officers.

-Absent-Minded: On and off a mission, Thomas can be lost in thought, daydreaming or not staying all too focused. His focus can be lost on rather dull and normal patrol cycles.

Backstory: Born on a farmstead on Reach, Hanes grew up rather comfortably. Although a farmhand for his parents, he never had any missed meals or painful losses till later in his life. Born during the early stage of the Covenant War, Thomas had a fascination with the UNSC military. Given the military presence on the planet, it didn't take much for him to join the Marines. However, his parents, who had some insurrectionist leanings forbade it.

At age 23 he disobeyed his parents and signed his life away. Although rebelling from his parents, his Catholic upbringing stayed with him as he aged and matured. After passing basic and spending a year in the marines in a safe position deep in UNSC space, he got his first taste of combat in 2546. Part of the second wave of reinforcements to Sargasso, Hanes was awarded a combat commendation for successfully destroying a communications tower with the few explosives the squad had on hand. Keeping the facility out of covenant hands kept further casualties from adding up to the battle. His recommendation to ODST eventually came in December of 2546, after successfully assisting Orbital Drop Shock Troopers in a combined offensive in the Bracchus system. According to the logs of the navy medical officer deployed to the all but destroyed colony of Hampshire, PFC. Hanes went above and beyond the call of duty when saving lives of three ODST. Thomas, through unconventional means, detonated the weak point of a Covenant Scythe that was all but ready to wipe out the ODST squad. Despite the recommendation, he needed to take a final step if he wanted to join the ranks of the ODST. With the recommendation, he needed to take a middle step and join the ranks of the UNSC special forces. Due to his unconventional skillset, his commanding officer recommended him for the Marine Raiders. The training course was a brutal six week course where the applicants must survive in the worst of environments. This training is what many Orbital Drop Shock Troopers insist on taking, as it prepares them for the real training course. Tommy was able to pass the training. From brutal cold nights to searing hot days, the testing grounds of Yuma-Nepal testing every recruit to their limit. But it was a cake walk compared to the Shock Troopers course. That one turns boys into men.

The PFC passed the rigorous ODST trials rather well. Despite almost failing the physical score, squeezing by with a score of 81/100, he excelled in marksmanship and survival techniques. In May of 2547, he would finally be bestowed the title as a Shock Trooper. His first drop was Operation Scythe, where he and two hundred other troopers took control of a Heavy Covenant AA gun on Barr-IV and shot down an enemy corvette firing upon Pelicans during the evacuation of ONI personnel. Two other important missions involved a two week and later a one month reconnaissance mission assisting Siren Team. CPL Hanes credits his survival thanks to the Spartans, and the current CO of the team credits her own life to him. This working relationship from the two week mission led to the long term insertion on a Covenant base in an unmapped (at least to the public) system outside of UNSC control. The coordination would eventually make Hanes an excellent choice in keeping the ODST grunts in line when working alongside Spartans.

Hanes' growing resume in the OODST soon moved him under the command of one of the OODST's lesser known, but feared Frogmen teams called Monarch Squad. In the winter of '49, Hanes had found his home, remaining in the unit forever more. As a Corporal, he helped the squad leader keep the rowdiest of troopers under control. Within a few weeks of his transfer to Monarch Squad, Hanes was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. By the summer of 2550, Hanes was in charge of the team, in command of six OODST, and one Jetpack trained Navy Corpsman. This also begins the year-long era of Hanes refusing promotions. Thomas was badly wounded at the battle of Fumirole, and remained out of action till late July. He was comatose for a few weeks from head trauma, and his left leg was nearly amputated from being crushed by falling debris. Thankfully doctors were able to fix his wounds and bring him back to consciousness. The last he remembered of the battle was the near suicidal assault on a Covenant battle-cruiser. Subsequently, Thomas would be stationed on the UNSC Langley, a hospital vessel, which remained near Sol. When news reached the rest of the UNSC of Reach's siege in late July, the Corporal at the time prepared to fight and die for his homeworld. These events would not come to pass, as the Langley remained in the Sol system. Corporal Hanes still regrets not being on Reach to defend his home planet to this very day.

Present in the Lanlande system during the Battle of Earth, the newly promoted Sergeant would arrive too late to join the famed or infamous OODST landing on New Mombasa. Instead, Hanes and one hundred others arrived in orbit two hours after the first Covenant forces landed on Earth. He joined his squad in combating Covenant forces that landed in Eastern Europe. Dropping into the outskirts of Krakow, the hundred strong unit would be decimated to half strength by the time UNSC forces on the ground could mobilize a quick reaction force to clear out the threat. Thomas had a lucky break, only receiving a gunshot wound to the shoulder. The wound came from friendly Army forces no less.

Since the war, Hanes has been stationed on and off different starships and planets. His friends and comrades have either been buried or since left the service. Recently, a select few were chosen for the Spartan-IV program. However, the Sergeant has denied any such offer. As stubborn as ever, the helljumper would rather stay the course. Having outlived his original squad, the man continues to fight in their honor. To fight for the memory of Reach. And to fight for the only family left; the UNSC.

It should be noted by any commanding officer reading to be aware that Hanes has denied promotions in the past, as a way to keep himself with his squad.

Equipment: Hanes wears the standard issue OODST BDU albeit with a few light royal blue stripes marked on his chest for personal reasons. Also noticeable is his name carved into the chest piece. On his back is the Series-B Jetpack, worn but still worthy and operational in combat.

Helmet: Includes a camera feed to relay information to squadmates or command

Pauldrons: Standard issue shoulder armor. Noticeable etchings into the armor that were buffed out.

Legs: Scuffed pads nonetheless rather standard issue OODST leg armor

Gloves: Standard fingerless gloves

Primary Weapon: M392 DMR
Secondary Weapon: M6 SOCOM

Known Squadmates and Comrades:

- SSGT Clyde Hoover **(KIA)** Original Squad leader and mentor
- PFC Clara Lopez **(KIA)** Original Squad member
- PFC Stephen Van Dyir **(KIA)** Original Squad member
- SGT Daniel Escobar **(KIA)** ODST Squad Leader
- SSGT Viktor Marsic **(KIA)** ODST Squad Leader
- SSGT Yasmine Maktoub **(Alive)** Former Squadmate, now NCO
- CPL Leopold Weiss **(Retired)** Served under Hanes, discharged after war
- PFC Richard Connolly **(KIA)** Served under Hanes
- PFC Harold Fofasa **(KIA)** Served under Hanes
- SSGT Marcus Arlington **(Alive)** Served under Hanes
- SGT Salman Orban **(Hon. Discharge)** Served under Hanes
- PFC Cassandra Danse **(Hon. Discharge)** Served under Hanes
- CPL Jean Vaucouleur **(Alive)** Served under Hanes
- CPL. Abigail Adler **(Alive)** Served under Hanes; now a Spartan-IV
- Tina-094, **(Alive)** CO of Siren Team
- Nadia-B170, **(Alive)** 2IC of Siren Team
- Lara-B289, **(MIA)** Part of Siren Team
- Ginevra-B224 **(MIA)** Former CO of Siren Team



