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STATUS

USAF Retired

SERVICE YEARS

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AFSC

1POX1-Aircrew Flight Equipment

PRIMARY UNIT

1985-1993, 8J000, 7th Bombardment Wing, Heavy



RECORD YOUR OWN SERVICE MEMORIES

By Completing Your Reflections!

Service Reflections is an easy-to-complete self-interview, located on your TWS Profile Page, which enables you to remember key people and events from your military service and the impact they made on your life.

Start Today!

Please describe who or what influenced your decision to join the Air Force.



My Music Teacher Patty, changed my life forever. RIP

I was about to enlist in the Marine Corps when my High School Music Teacher (Patty Kuzmick) came to my house and asked me what I was going to do with my life. I told her I was going to the Marine Recruiter that week to enlist. She said, No, you're not! You're too smart for that; you're going into the Air Force! She took me to the Air Force recruiter in Lexington Park, Maryland, and the rest was History.

Whether you were in the service for several years or as a career, please describe the direction or path you took. Where did you go to basic training and what units, bases, or squadrons were you assigned to? What was your reason for leaving?

I made the AF a career of almost 27 years. I initially wanted to be a law enforcement officer, like my Recruiter, but when I went to MEPS, they asked me if I had ever done drugs. I said I tried Pot, but didn't like it, and I much preferred alcohol. They said, "Well, you can't be a cop." Go and pick a career field out of that book. I saw Parachutes and said, I'll do this. He said, " Oh, Survival Equipment, that's ok. I remember thinking to myself...I can't be a cop, but I can pack someone's parachute? Ok!

My first duty station after Tech School was Carswell AFB, TX. I got introduced to B-52 Drag Chutes real quick! I took it upon myself to be the best Parachute Rigger I could be. I eventually got the call sign T.O. Tom, not for a bad thing, but for a good thing. Let's just say my supervisor got fired for the way she trained me, and after that, I made damn sure that all my troops and I did everything by the book!



My Military Service Path

If you participated in any military operations, including combat, humanitarian and peacekeeping operations, please describe those which made a lasting impact on you and, if life-changing, in what way?



My Military Operations

I joined during the Cold War and was in the Strategic Air Command for 7 Years. I packed a lot of B-52 Drag Chutes, Personnel Parachutes, and Water Survival Equipment. It was a pretty intense period in my career because at any moment, the Nuclear Superpowers could decide, "let's end it all!" Just watch the movie War Games. There's no real winner in a Nuclear War.

Nevertheless, we were expected to be perfect! Everything from PRP working on Nuclear Loaded Aircraft, which we did, ensuring aircraft that weren't on the Alert Pad were prepped when they upgraded the DEFCONs. We constantly had NORIs and exercises with the fact that, if Russia pushed that button and we were going out, we were taking them with us! We envied the Airmen in TAC because they seemed to get away with a lot. If you were in SAC,

there was no gray area. I was so "by the book" that I was awarded my SAC Journeyman Patch when I was an SRA, and my Master Technician Patch within the same year, shortly after I sewed on Buck Sergeant. I can't count the number of times I was stopped by SNCOs saying, "Hey, Sarge...you're wearing the wrong patch!" I'd say call Q.A.; they awarded it to me! They'd say, "Don't worry... we will!" What can I say? That's why they call me T.O. Tom.

Did you encounter a situation during your military service when you believed there was a possibility you might not survive? Please describe what happened and what the outcome was.

I was never in direct combat, but when I was deployed to Saudi Arabia for "Operation Southern Watch". After a terrorist blew up Khobar Towers, they moved us to Prince Sultan Air Base for better protection. I was asked to go on a buying trip for the base to the Capital City of Riyadh, and they sent a guide to pick me and two of my troops up. Before the trip, they gave us specific orders...



My Riskiest Military Moment

1. Do not look at their women
2. Always shake with your right hand
3. If you drop their currency, do not step on it, as the King's picture is on it, and they would consider that an insult
4. You will wear body armor and civilian clothes (which I refused because I didn't want to look like a target) and...
5. Above all else...If they ask what religion you are, ignore them, or change the subject.

Well, what do you think the first question our guide asked me was when he picked us up? Yep! Hey man, you're a Christian, right? I ignored him, looked in the rearview mirror, and saw my troop in the back seat, his eyes getting big as he discreetly shook his head, "Don't do it!"

Then I looked at my other troop, and he did the same. So, I continued to ignore the guide, and he said 'Hey Man, I asked you a question...You're a Christian, right?'

I thought to myself, Lord, I've never denied you, and I'm not gonna deny you right now. I

looked at him and said, "Yeah man, I'm a Christian." My guys lost it, sank down in their seats in complete silence and disbelief. He said, "So, you're a Catholic, right?" I said, no I'm just a follower of Christ. After he asked me that, there was complete silence the whole ride to the Eskan Village (US Compound near Riyadh). He dropped us off and said I'll be back to pick you up at 7 am tomorrow morning.



When we got out of the car, my guys said, Man, you're gonna get us killed...you disobeyed direct orders! I said Relax, we're still alive. Well, the next day he picked us up and gave us a tour of the city. He took us to a place called Chop/Chop Square, and said This is where we do our justice system. If someone gets caught stealing, we cut off their hand. If a woman cheats on her husband, we cut off

her head. We used to push you Americans to the front to watch, but our government stopped that. He said America's justice system is weak! I told him in America, we believe everyone is innocent until proven guilty, but if found guilty, we do have the death sentence in some states, and for better or worse, it is what it is.

He said, " You know, my Mom was a Christian. I thought to myself...Door Open! My guys looked shocked. I said How is that possible? He said, " My Dad is from Saudi Arabia, but he went to Africa to find work, where he met my Mom, and when she came here, she had to convert to Islam. I said, " Did your Mom ever tell you about Jesus?" He said yes, but I don't know what to believe. I told him it was no coincidence that he was talking to me about it, and we had an awesome conversation about our different faiths. By the end of the trip, he was calling me a friend in our language, and I was calling him a teacher in his. Needless to say, all three of us survived, and I can't help but think of the Bible Verse...

1 Corinthians 3:7 So, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, only God who can make things grow.

I want to think his Mom planted the seed; I watered it, and my hope is that God will make it grow so much that he chooses Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior. Amen! Thank you, Lord Jesus, for the opportunity to spread the Gospel!

Of all your duty stations or assignments, which one do you have the fondest memories of and why? Which was your least favorite?

My favorite duty station was Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. I had so many opportunities to grow as a leader and to lead other Airmen. I started there in EMS as the NCOIC of the Survival Equipment Section, moved up to become the Assistant, then Fabrication Flight Chief, and as I was transitioning to become an EMS Pro-Super, the Wing Command Chief approached me and said the Wing Commander and I want you to be the next 52 FW Career Assistance Advisor, but if you take the position, you have to extend your tour for another 3 years, twist my arm! It was a great job leading FTAC and all the Professional Enhancement Courses for the Wing.



My Fondest Military Assignment

But prior to that, I was invited to represent USAFE as the Survival Equipment SME to help merge with Aircrew Life Support into a new AFSC-Aircrew Flight Equipment (AFE) at HQ Langley AFB, VA. It was an amazing opportunity to be one of the leaders selected to create a new career field for the Air Force. They had been talking about it when I was in tech school, and we made it a reality.

Then I went back to assume my Career Advisor Role, but just before I was going to extend, my Chief came to my office and told me that the merger was not going well and he said I know you can stay in this position, but I'm asking if you'd be willing to come back to help us with the merger here at Spangdahlem since you were on the merger team. It was a sore point in the Air Force for a long time, as 6 bases had already failed their IG inspection due to the AFE Merger. I agreed.

He sent us TDY to the AFE Conference in San Diego, and our Career Field Chief got up and told us he just got off the phone with the IG, as he knew he'd be addressing all the AFE Leadership in the Air Force that morning, and told him Chief...the next base to fail, some heads were gonna roll. Do you understand me? He said yes Sir. Then he shouted out...where's Sergeant Hartswick? I stood up, and he said Tom, your base is next. You have 6 months! I said, " Don't worry, Chief, we won't let you down. I got on that plane and didn't sleep the whole way back to Germany.

I put together an IG prep plan, assigned my best folks to specific tasks, and set up a completely separate team to make sure we were meeting our inspection timeline. When the IG arrived 6 months later, out of 25 units on our base, we were the only unit to get an "Outstanding!" I was so proud of our team. We broke the streak and showed them what was possible! Shortly after that, I made Senior. Germany was such a great assignment. I still visit my adopted German family, and they visit me here in Texas. I stayed from May to Jul last year (2024), and they wanted me to stay longer. There is no better assignment in Europe!

You can visit Belgium, France, Holland, and Luxembourg all in one day or a weekend, and even take the ferry to England, which I did many times to visit my friends stationed there. The German food, drinks, pastries, river tours, autobahn, fresh air, clean streets, castles, Christmas Markets, and festivals are the best! I can go on and on! I never had a least favorite assignment. They were all awesome, even Cannon AFB, NM

From your entire military service, describe any memories you still reflect on to this day.



Praising God for Jesus, Family and 27 years!

There are too many memories, and I reflect on them almost every day. Some of the most significant ones, were when the Wall came down in Germany to end the Cold War, My 1st Deployment to Saudi Arabia, 9-11 at Whiteman AFB when one of my Airmen stood at my door in tears because when they hit the Twin Towers he said, "Sergeant Hartswick, My

Dad and Uncle take the Subway everyday under those towers and I can't get ahold of them." I still remember the look in his eyes and reassuring him that they would be ok, and to use my phone as long as it took to contact them. All the relationships, exercises, PCS's, deployments, but most of all, I treasured my family serving right alongside me, and then at the end of my career, my three daughters singing "Oh, How He Loves Us" at my retirement ceremony, and how we praised God for getting us to that point! Thank you, Lord, for giving me and all of us so much, especially your Son Jesus Christ!

What professional achievements are you most proud of from your military career?

That leadership trusted me in positions or projects way above my pay grade at every step of my career, which in turn opened new doors of opportunity. Here are the achievements I'm most proud of...

1. I was the NCOIC of the Survival Shop at Cannon AFB as an SSgt when the mission changed from

F and EF-111s to F-16s. We didn't have a parachute shop, only a fabrication shop, so



My Military Achievements

my Commander asked me to design a brand new Survival Equipment Shop with a budget of only \$250K. I knew that wouldn't cover it, so I realized that they just built a brand new Jet Engine storage facility for the F-111s, but now they didn't need it because they built new facilities for the F-16s on the other side of the base.

The new F-111 building had a drive-through and space on both sides, so I recommended we move the Egress Shop to one side of the facility and the Survival Shop to the other side, so that we could be a one-stop maintenance shop for the ACES-II Ejection Seat. All we needed to be in compliance was a parachute drying tower and some new walls to make a parachute section, a water survival and fabrication section. It was awesome and saved us lots of money. Anyway, the ACC Functional Manager at HQ Langley heard about it and came for the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

She was so impressed that she asked me to be the new Section Chief for the B-2 Survival Equipment Shop, so I got orders to Whiteman AFB.

2. While stationed at Whiteman AFB, I was selected as one of only four NCOs in the Air Force to report to Randolph AFB, AFOMS to do a Major Rewrite of the SSgt, TSgt, and MSgt WAPS Promotion Tests. It was a real honor, as I was an MSgt selectee myself and hadn't yet sewn it on. It was fun because it gave me insight into the promotion test process.

3. Being selected as the 52 FW Career Assistance Advisor by the Wing CC and Command Chief, as there are only just over 90 Air Force-wide in this Special Duty, and I had a direct impact in shaping our future AF Leaders.

4. Being selected by USAFE to be the Survival Equipment SME to merge the Survival Equipment and Aircrew Life Support career fields into a new Aircrew Flight Equipment career field. Each command sent two people, and I couldn't believe they chose me to represent USAFE.

5. Leading the AFE Merger at Spangdahlem AB, Germany, and not letting our Career Field Chief down during the IG Inspection. Out of 25 units on that base, our unit received the only "Outstanding" IG Rating. We proved the merger could work, and we got coined for doing so.

6. Recommending my troop at Carswell for OTS, and then pinning on his bars at Maxwell AFB. I was so proud of Airmen, now LT Keith Driver!

Of all the medals, awards, formal presentations and qualification badges you received, or other memorabilia, which one is the most meaningful to you and why?



My Most Meaningful Awards

My SAC Master Technician Badge, because of the pain I had to endure to get it. When I got to Carswell AFB, TX, as an A1C, my supervisor (A Staff Sergeant) was training me to sign me off on BA-Personal Parachutes. She said, grab a chute and the T.O. and put it on the table. Then she said, I'm gonna sign you off (Certify You) on parachutes today, so open the parachute only until the quarter deployment bag comes out, but don't pull out any of the lines, and don't break any tackings. Then I want you to pack it back in.

I did what she said, and then she said, Now sign off your 623, saying that I trained you. I told her that I didn't feel qualified, and that's not how they showed us how to fully inspect and repack the parachute in Tech School. I said we didn't even inspect the parachute canopy for holes or the suspension lines for snags, cuts, etc. She said, "Sign it, or I'll make life hard for you!" So I did. Well, I guess the chickens came home to roost because the next day, an MSgt from Q.A. walks in, goes into the office, grabs my 623 training records, and says Hartswick, grab a parachute. I'm going to evaluate your training today. I just looked at my supervisor, and she tried to encourage me and said...You can do it. Yeah right!

I was so scared, I didn't know where to start. He said, "Well, you gonna open this thing up or what?" I said Yes, Sir! I was fumbling around with the T.O., and he said stop! You are trained on this right? I said sorta. He said wait here. He went into the office, called my supervisor in, then she left, then they called me in and asked me why I signed off on my 623 if I didn't feel trained. I told them she said she would make life hard for me if I didn't sign it. They told me to go back to work, then the two SMSgt Flight Chiefs came down and brought her into the office. After she left, they brought me back to the office.

They told me, Airman Hartswick, we're sorry this happened to you, and we gave your supervisor the option for a court-martial or the option not to reenlist. She chose not to reenlist. Needless to say, after that incident, I studied EVERY Single T.O. in that shop and knew it like the back of my hand! I made sure I would never train any of my Airmen that way, and I eventually became the Parachute Section Supervisor, and if I called out your name, you better be able to tell me Page#, Paragraph, and Step you were on in that T.O., or I would write them up.

Our Q.A Inspector was so impressed by how I turned things around that I got awarded the SAC Journeyman Technician Patch, then as soon as I sewed on Buck Sergeant, I was awarded the SAC Master Technician Award as I passed every Q.A. Evaluation with flying colors. Because I earned the patch when I was only a Buck Sergeant, I got challenged everywhere I went: the flight line, the orderly room, the commissary, the BX, everywhere. The SNCOs would say, Hey, Sarge, you got the wrong patch on, don't you? I got so used to

hearing it that I would just say, "call Q.A." They would say where do you work, I'm calling your boss. I said go ahead. Anyway, that's how I got my call sign, "T.O. Tom."

My supervisor left the Air Force, and to her credit, she called me a year or two later and apologized for what she did. I said, "What's done is done and thanked her for calling me. We caught up a little, and I've never heard from her again. I pray she's doing well.

Which individual(s) from your time in the military stand out as having the most positive impact on you and why?

TSgt Billy Miller, TSgt Mike Anderson, SMSgt Rob Anderson, SMSgt Dan Ross, Major Keith Driver, SMSgt Cheryl Woods, CMSgt Bobby Moore, Major General Scott Vander Hamm, AFCOS General Dave Goldfein, Lt Col Chris Roness, Col Lussier, Col Justin DeMarco, and so many more!



My Most Influential Person

List the names of old friends you served with, at which locations, and recount what you remember most about them. Indicate those you are already in touch with and those you would like to make contact with.



The People are what matter the Most!

Carswell AFB, TX

- MSgt Hobby: got in a fist fight with him the first time we met, but eventually we worked it out
- TSgt Billy Miller: dedicated, hard worker, led by example!
- TSgt Branscomb: smoked more than he

worked, always talked about inappropriate stuff, and was a poor leader and supervisor-deceased

- TSgt Olguin: Smart, great fabricator, joker, and kinda shady
- SSgt Ruth Wescott: Nice person, great smile, loyal
- Rob Anderson: Great leader, hard worker, no-nonsense guy. Taught me how to work hard!
- Mike Anderson: Funny, hard worker, great sense of humor, and loved music
- Daryl O. Johnson: Man of God, dedicated NCO, and loved his Mom!
- Greg Atchley: Had great common sense, was the nicest man you'll ever meet, and was a

hard worker

-Tommy Harper: Smart, funny, mischievous, would speak his mind, and was a good Airman

-Dan Ross: Best parachute rigger ever! Hard worker, dedicated, patriot, my right-hand man

-Juan Sattiewhite: Smart, funny, logical, great smile, and dedicated to the mission. Always fun to be around! Should have been a wide receiver.

-Keith Driver: Didn't belong in the enlisted ranks. Pushed him to become an Officer.

Graduated from OTS. I pinned on his Lt. Bars at Maxwell AFB. He's wicked smart, loyal, a hard worker, and kept me from losing a stripe or two by keeping me from killing another Airman

-Lonnie Womack: hard worker, great singer, smoked and drank Big Red like he owned stock in both companies

-Stephen Mrvica: On loan from Corrosion Control Shop, smart, hard worker, instigator, mischievous

-Kevin Cheatham: I believe he was a plant from OSI, just showed up with no orders and disappeared within a short time, had a great smile, and was a decent worker

Cannon AFB, NM

- Jim Austin: Not a micromanager, smart, dedicated leader

-Steve Papelino: Smart, dedicated, loyal, hard worker, good leader, great assistant

-Steve Williams: Dedicated, loyal, hard worker, always willing to learn

-Jason Bender: Gave great input, dedicated, hard worker, and challenged authority in a good way

-Curtis Bailey: Smart, jokester, instigator, especially with Carson

-Carson: Smoked like a chimney: would never back down from a fight, hard worker

-Noland Shipman: Man of God, hard worker, dedicated

Whiteman AFB, MO

-CMSgt Bobby Moore: Most powerful Chief I've ever known, with a heart of gold

-MSgt Michael Frazier: One of my best friends, Loyal, dedicated, and very logical SNCO. Great person to talk to.

-SMSgt Lance Morgan: Dedicated Chiefs Fan, leads by example, has a great demeanor, loyal, and professional.

-SMSgt Bud McElroy: See Lance's comments, minus the Chiefs part...They were tied at the hips! LOL! We went to the White House together Pre-9/11. We walked around like we owned the place. It was kind of boring—just a bunch of colored rooms.

-Juan Gonzales: Smart, hardworking, and dedicated

-Billy Kellum: Smart as a whip! Dedicated and hardworking. Believe he went back to Colorado in the Reserves or ANG.

-Robert Fekete: Good Airman. Served together during 911. Went on to become an officer.

Spangdahlem Airbase, Germany

-MSgt Larry Hogan: Brother in Christ, loyal, dedicated, hard worker, smart, organized, would give you the Shirt off his back!

-TSgt Rebecca Blalock: Loyal, Loving, hard worker, tells it like it is, dependable, and I wish I had 10 more just like her!

-MSgt (R) John Dymond: AF Civilian of the Year-Twice! Could run any program by himself with outstanding results! Should have been a Chief.

-TSgt Todd Crocket: Loyal, smart, hard worker, funny, and had a great demeanor.

-MSgt Rock: SERE NCOIC. I don't think he had a last name or even a first name; everyone seemed to be afraid of him, because at my first staff meeting when I first got assigned to the unit, I saw him chewing tobacco and spitting in a cup in front of God, the CC, Shirt, and everyone else. I looked at the First Sergeant and said, "He's chewing tobacco." Do you want to tell him, or do you want me to do it? The Shirt just said, I'm not going to tell him; you can. After the meeting was over, I said, "Who is that guy?" He said, "He's your SERE Specialist." I just shook my head, went to his office next to mine, and said, Rock, you can't be chewing tobacco at the staff meetings. He said, "Why not?" I said because the Air Force has a No-Tobacco Policy, and you're making all of us SNCO's look bad when you do that...Don't do it again. Needless to say, he didn't care for me after that. Nevertheless, Rock was a great SERE Specialist, so I put him in for some awards, and he won at the squadron and Group level, and was nominated for the Wing award, and while we were at the Wing Awards Banquet, he said: "Why did you do this?" I said, because you deserve it, and you're one of my troops, and I take care of my troops. While he didn't win at the Wing Level, it was still an honor, and after that he had a newfound respect for me.

Can you recount a particular incident from your service, which may or may not have been funny at the time, but still makes you laugh?

I was an AIC and came on shift one morning, and my supervisor, SSgt Miller, said, "Hartswick, get your Line Badge. We had a B-52 Drag Chute Failure, and you packed it, so let's go out to the aircraft." We went out to the aircraft, climbed up the stand onto the B-52 Tail Section, Sgt Miller took one look, and said, "Let's go; these dumb @sses didn't pull the 'Remove Before Flight' pin, so no wonder the damn Chute never deployed!" He said Hartswick, you're off the hook! I was so relieved because, as a Parachute Rigger, you never want to hear that one of your chutes has failed. Thank God! I was scared back then, but I can laugh about it now.



My Funniest Military Memory

What profession did you follow after your military service and what are you doing now? If you are currently serving, what is your present occupational specialty?



My Post-Military Career

After I retired from the AF, I worked at USAA as a Non-Injury Auto Claims Adjuster. I earned some awards, and they made me a trainer. Shortly thereafter, I got promoted to Claims Service Manager and retired when I turned 55 years old to do full-time Ministry.

I started an independent ministry called "Kayak Fishers of Men Ministry" that helps men through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and fellowship with other Men of God. I'm also the Lead Facilitator for Regeneration Recovery Ministry at Gateway Fellowship Church in San Antonio, TX. It's a 12-Step

Biblically Based program that helps Men and Women recover from addictions, abuse, anger, hate, trauma, and unforgiveness, among other issues. Lastly, I lead a Men's Small Group for my church as well on Mondays at my home.

What military associations are you a member of, if any? What specific benefits do you derive from your memberships?

US Air Force Sergeants Association

USAA

That Others May Live Foundation



My Military Associations

In what ways has serving in the military influenced the way you have approached your life and your career? What do you miss most about your time in the service?



My German Family!

Take care of your people, including their families. The people take care of the mission, and their families sacrifice right alongside them. We sacrifice so much to serve our country, but we gain so much as well. We have opportunities that most people will never get to experience in life, so enjoy every duty station, education opportunity, country you visit, and wherever you get stationed, be

a part of the community. Don't just stay on base; get out and experience it, be a part of it. I totally miss my German Family, but I get to visit them, and that's because I decided to make Germany my second home, and they adopted me into their lives and family! I've never had a Bad assignment, and I was stationed at Cannon AFB, NM. LOL! I made the best of it and loved it there, too. Don't be a Whiner! Enjoy each and every day of your life, especially if you have family with you. Once it's gone, it's time you can never get back.

Based on your own experiences, what advice would you give to those who have recently joined the Air Force?

-Know your job better than anyone else and teach others to do the same!

-Lead by example at every level and be a Team Player!

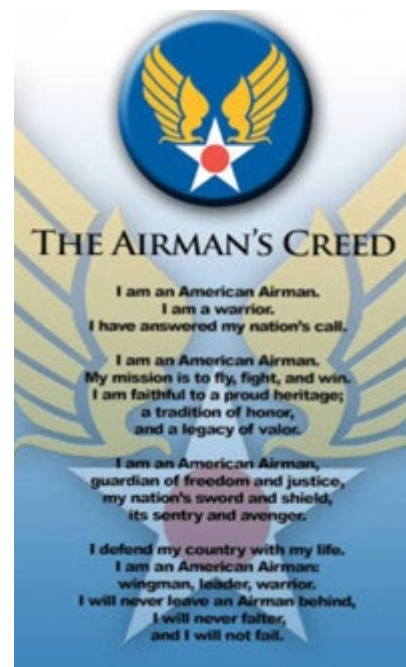
-Don't ask anyone to do anything you're not willing to do!

-Get plugged in to a Church where you can have fellowship and Godly Friends instead of so-called friends that will lead you down the wrong path and get you into trouble.

-Listen up! If you want to stay out of trouble...Don't Be There! Nothing good happens after Midnight, only shootings, accidents, rape, and murder!!

-Have a plan! Don't go out ALONE! Have a Wingman, Battle Buddy, Friend, etc., go out with you and come back with you. Be a good Wingman!

-Have a backup plan! Make sure you let someone know your plans and have a way to pay



Live our Creed!

for an Uber ride home if there's alcohol involved. Don't drink and drive!

-Start an Emergency Fund! Save money, even if it's only \$10 a week. Have it taken out of your check and placed into an account that you don't touch.

-Invest in your Retirement Fund, i.e., 401 (k). Again, have it taken out so you don't even know it's gone. It will add up over time.

-Stay away from Credit Cards. Have one for an Emergency, and only use it once in a while to keep it active, but pay off the balance immediately. This will help build your credit without accruing serious debt.

-Take some college classes even if it's only one a semester. It will add up, just like your savings.

-Study a little every day for promotion and start now. If you don't get promoted, it's your fault!

-Use all the resources the military has for you. For outdoor recreation, use the SATO Office for flights, trips, concerts, etc., and use Space-A Flights if you can, where you're stationed.

-Join the Club. If you don't use it, you lose it. It can and will go away.

-Get advice from trusted supervisors and leaders who've been there and done that, so you don't make the same mistakes they made

-When you get in a position of leadership...Please take care of Your People and their families.

In what ways has TogetherWeServed.com helped you remember your military service and the friends you served with?



I reconnected with Mike Anderson from Top Gun LOL!

TWS is a great forum for outlining your military career because it has formatted templates and thought-provoking questions that allow you to look back on your career and document your memories, good and bad. It allows you to post photos and has a search engine to look up folks you served with in all service branches and reconnect with them. I'm a Life Member and so glad I signed up! Thanks, TWS.