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Alaska State Trooper since 2012
U.S. Air Force (1989-2012)

Jetton, or "Jet" as he is called, started as a supply specialist at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, but soon retrained to become a surveillance operator on Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) aircraft at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma. This later turned into an assignment with the NATO AWACS, working with military personnel from different nations at the NATO Airbase Geilenkirchen E-3A Component in Germany. He moved to Robins AFB, Ga. to work with the Joint Surveillance and Target Attack Radar System, a joint project between the Air Force and Army to provide an airborne, off-range surveillance, and target radar and command and control. He took a break from flying to take a special duty assignment at USAF Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. where he helped lead and shape future Air Force officers. While there, he was instrumental in the re-establishment of the Survival, Evasion Resistance and Escape school. During his career, Jet was deployed more times than he can count to help with Operation Southern Watch to enforce the no-fly zone in Iraq following the first Gulf War, then for operations in Bosnia and Kosovo, then after 9/11 and finally in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom. "Every three years I did something different," he said. During his almost 24-year career, he traveled to more places than most people know about in the world. He ended his career as an in-flight refueler, getting to see some of these places from a boom pod in the belly of an air refueler tanker while flying overhead. However, out of all the places he's traveled, he considers Alaska his favorite because of the outdoor opportunities.



ROXANNE KUK

Criminal Justice Tech I – AFIS since 2005
U.S. Army (1975-1978)

Kuk still has the newspaper article highlighting her in honor of women in the military when she was sworn into the Army at Mount Rushmore, S.D. on June 14, 1975. She has a long family history of members in the military for every war and conflict back to World War II. However, she was the first female on both sides of her family to serve her country. She considers joining the Army "one of the best decisions I ever made." She originally joined the military to travel and see the world. Unfortunately, she only got as far as the East Coast. She went to basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., then on to Fort Gordon, Ga. for school to be an avionics electronics technician. Afterward, she was "just lucky enough" to get stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. While there, she repaired aircraft radios, mostly for helicopters. "I loved my job – the station, not so much," she said. Fort Bragg is the home to the 82nd Airborne. "Consequently, everybody is expected to run four miles every morning at 5 a.m." she said. "Even though I did accomplish this task every morning, it just never did quite grow on me." She spent every free moment enjoying the beauty of North Carolina by camping on the Outer Banks and Blue Ridge Mountains. When it came time to re-enlist, Kuk's company commander informed her she would probably have to serve it at Fort Bragg and still not get to travel. Instead, she told him she'd rather accept an honorable discharge from the Army.

