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FULL-STACK DEVELOPER

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Three years building production applications, grounded in seven years of learning the craft while working full-time. I started with tutorials in 2016 and kept at it until I was confident enough to go all-in as a developer in 2023. I'm still learning today, currently working through freeCodeCamp's Full Stack Developer certification.

Before tech, I led a five-person medic team in the Army and earned three promotions at Toyota over seven years.

What's stayed consistent: I stay calm when things break, I explain technical stuff without making people feel dumb, and I follow through on what I say I'll do.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Frontend Development

React, Next.js, Vue.js, TypeScript, JavaScript (ES6+), HTML5, CSS3, Tailwind CSS

### Design & SEO

Mobile-First Development, Figma, Photoshop, SEO Fundamentals, Open Graph, Schema.org Markup

### E-commerce Systems

Stripe Payments, Medusa Commerce, Shopping Cart Systems, Checkout Flows, Order Management

### Backend & Databases

Node.js, Python, REST APIs, PostgreSQL, Supabase, Redis, MongoDB

### Testing & DevOps

Git/GitHub, Docker, Nginx, Playwright, Vitest, CI/CD, Vercel

### AI & Modern Tools

Claude Code, OpenAI API, AI Chatbots, Workflow Automation, Data Processing

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Full Stack Developer

November 2025 - Present

[needthisdone.com](https://needthisdone.com) | Professional Services Platform

- Built and launched a responsive e-commerce platform that's live and handling real customer orders. Designed mobile-first so it works on any device
- Handled the full stack myself: React/Next.js frontend, Node.js backend, PostgreSQL database, and Stripe for payments
- Added an AI chatbot that answers customer questions by searching the actual site content. Saves time for both customers and me
- Set up automated testing with Playwright so I can ship updates confidently without breaking what's already working
- Implemented SEO fundamentals: dynamic sitemap generation, robots.txt, Open Graph meta tags, and JSON-LD structured data for better search visibility

## Technical Operations Specialist

Spring 2025 - Winter 2025

Acadio | Educational Platform for Financial Certifications

- Started as a contractor doing API integration work. Did good work, got brought on for client onboarding
- Became the person the CEO came to with technical questions because my explanations made sense to him
- Automated the repetitive stuff that was slowing the team down so people could focus on work that actually mattered
- Handled data migrations during client onboarding. Turned multi-day headaches into same-day completions while improving accuracy

## Freelance Web Developer

January 2023 - March 2024

Self-Employed | Independent Contractor

- Built websites and automation tools for clients while learning the craft
- Went from studying tutorials to building things clients actually use

## Finance Manager

Spring 2017 - Winter 2023

Toyota of Orlando | Salesperson → Sales Manager → Finance Manager

- Earned three promotions over seven years at a high-volume dealership moving 10-30 cars daily
- Worked with 3-7 customers daily, walking them through their options and putting together financing across different lenders
- Built trust with customers by explaining options clearly. Became the go-to person when teammates had complicated deals

## Military Enrollment Counselor

2012 - 2017

Full Sail University | International Admissions → Military Student Services

- Started in International Admissions, then moved to Military Student Services where my Army background gave me credibility with veterans navigating civilian life
- Guided service members and families through GI Bill benefits, program costs, and fitting education around military schedules

## Combat Medic, Corporal (E-4)

1996 - 2001

U.S. Army | Fort Hood, TX & Fort Bragg, NC

- Led a team of 3 medics and 2 combat lifesavers. Delivered emergency care where mistakes cost lives and hesitation wasn't an option
- Learned to stay calm under pressure, follow protocols precisely, and take responsibility for my team's performance

## FEATURED PROJECT

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[needthisdone.com](https://needthisdone.com)

Live at [needthisdone.com](https://needthisdone.com)

- Responsive, mobile-first e-commerce platform built from the ground up
- User authentication, product browsing, shopping cart, and order tracking
- Secure checkout integration with Stripe payment processing
- Admin dashboard with business management tools
- AI-powered chatbot using semantic search for customer questions
- Comprehensive automated testing with Playwright for reliable deployments

*React/Next.js • TypeScript • Node.js • PostgreSQL/Supabase • Redis • Stripe • Playwright • Vercel*

## EDUCATION

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**Full Sail University** (2016 - 2017): Web Design & Development coursework, 4.0 GPA. Started learning web development here and haven't stopped since.

**Self-Directed Learning** (2016 - 2023): Eight years of consistent skill development while working full-time. Progressed from tutorials to building production applications. This sustained commitment built the foundation for professional development work.

**Structured Coursework** (2023 - Present): freeCodeCamp Full Stack Developer Certification (in progress), Khan Academy CS Principles (100% mastery), Vue.js Complete Guide, 100 Days of Code. Filling in gaps and sharpening skills I've been building for years.

**U.S. Army Medical Department Center & School** (1996 - 2001): Combat Medic certification. Graduated top 10% of class.