



BIOGRAPHY



VETERANS LEAD CHANGE & LIFT OTHERS UP!

MAJOR TRAVIS L. RALPH

Travis Ralph is a cloud evangelist, technical instructor and Ambassador to Military Veterans. You'll frequently see him hosting the A Cloud Guru Release Reviews where he evaluates new AWS tech, driving cloud focused digital transformation across the public sector, influencing cybersecurity towards mission assurance, and solving workforce underemployment issues through data driven talent acquisition and technical training evolution.

Travis has deep roots in Cybersecurity and business intelligence and is a passionate and outspoken influencer. Travis served in the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Air Force for over 23 years and helped shape the way U.S. DoD collects, process, explores, secures, and disseminates information. Part of these efforts include advancement towards cost effective and scalable distance learning and critical thinking training pipelines, redefining Cybersecurity and mission assurance efforts, user event based analytics evolution through graph theory, and bringing internet protocol to airborne mission systems.

Through his own transition he realized a critical need to up-skill and learn a new business language. He believes learning is lifelong and you must be curious to evolve and succeed.



Travis Ralph is a mustang and was commissioned in 2006 from the Academy of Military Science as a distinguished graduate. Rising to the rank of Major, he led many kinetic and non-kinetic intelligence and cyber efforts supporting the tactical edge of the battlefield across Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Africa, and South America. Prior to his commission, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1996 and specialized in Scout Sniper surveillance and target acquisition. Throughout his commitment he earned the rank of Sergeant and deployed continuously worldwide in support of a multitude of operations, too include Operation Allied Force in Kosovo. Upon completing his honorable commitment, he transitioned to the U.S. Air Force as a Communications Computer Operator, rendering a stripe and commencing his Air Force career as a senior airman to support the service. He quickly moved up the enlisted ladder and earned the rank of technical sergeant, specializing in both installation and deployed network communications and information systems security operations.

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EDUCATION

1996 Distinguished graduate, Marine Corps Boot Camp, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, CA
1997 Distinguished graduate, School of Infantry, Camp Pendleton, CA
1998 Scout Sniper School, Stone Bay, NC
2002 Associate of Science degree in Management of Information Systems, Community College of the Air Force, Hill AFB, UT
2002 Distinguished graduate, Airman Leadership School, Hill AFB, UT
2003 Bachelor of Science degree in Management Computer Information Systems, Park University, MO.
2005 Master of Science in Business Administration, Webster University, MO.
2005 Distinguished graduate, Non-Commissioned Officers Academy, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
2006 Distinguished graduate, Academy of Military Science, McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base, Tenn.
2007 Air Force Intelligence Officer Specialist Training, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
2007 SERE, Advanced SERE, Water Survival, Fairchild AFB, WA, and Pensacola NAS, FL
2008 Squadron Officers School, by correspondence
2009 International Junior Officer Leadership Development, Canadian Force College, Toronto, Canada
2010 Distinguished graduate, Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance Operations Course, Goodfellow AFB, TX
2017 Network Warfare Bridge Course, Hurlburt Field, FL
2017 Cyber Warfare Operations, Hurlburt Field, FL
2018 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster
Combat Readiness Medal with four oak leaf clusters
National Defense Service Medal
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

(USMC) Private November 4, 1996
Private First Class January 30, 1997 (meritoriously promoted)
Lance Corporal May 1, 1997 (meritoriously promoted)
Corporal May 1, 1998
Sergeant August 5, 2000
(USAF) Senior Airman March 21, 2001
Staff Sergeant October 1, 2002
Technical Sergeant December 15, 2004
Second Lieutenant June 23, 2006
First Lieutenant June 23, 2008
Captain June 23, 2010
Major June 23, 2015

(Current as of Dec 2019)