# **Matt Blessed**

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## Skills

Legend: Bolded items are preferred languages/tools

Proficient: TypeScript, Node.js, Docker, Terraform, Swift, React.js, Bash/Shell, MySQL, Git

Familiar: Rust, Makefile, Python, C#, Ruby, React Native, Neo4j, Java

Tools: AWS, Cloudflare, GitHub, DigitalOcean

# Experience

#### Impulse - Co-founder/Senior Software Engineer

Oct 2016 - Aug 2022

Remote

Built iOS app using Swift

- Developed software-as-a-service website using React and Cloudflare Created backend from scratch using TypeScript and Node.js that scaled to over 150 requests per second
- Designed and managed production infrastructure using Terraform as infrastructure-as-code
- Built a continuous integration and delivery pipeline that increased shipping frequency 3x
- Increased developer productivity 40% by reducing error surface, integrating automation, and adding on-call notifications
- Interviewed, trained, mentored, and lead a team of software developers

### Stealth Mode Startup - Co-founder/Lead Software Engineer

Sept 2016 - Jan 2021

Designed and collaborated on large-scale systems

- Austin, TX
- Improved security of internal systems by developing custom external http proxy using Rust and Apache Kafka
- Developed an API crawler using JavaScript utilizing OpenAPI specs to collect and analyze endpoint information
- Managed complex multi-site networking stack using UniFi equipment, WireGuard VPN, and iptables
- Setup and administrated internal servers, equipment, and services using Proxmox for GitLab
- Design comprehensive documentation and diagrams to communicate effectively with stakeholders
- Researched air-gapping techniques and developed helper tools using Rust

#### LookFwd - iOS Engineer

Feb 2017 – Aug 2017

Remote

- Strengthened core iOS application Managed a team of developers
- Influenced design decisions
- Hired developers when needed

### **QuickQuestion** – Software Engineer

Oct 2014 - Oct 2016

- Managed product team (milestones, kpi, strategy development)
- Developed an iOS app in Objective-C and backend in JavaScript/Node.js
- Built and maintained production infrastructure
- Collaborated on the vision for the product

#### Meijer – Software Engineer Intern

Summer 2016

Remote

Facilitated inter-team communication and collaboration

- Grand Rapids, MI
- Saved over \$100,000 in third-party plugins by developing an active-directory email integration using C#
- Designed and built an internal iOS app for searching and finding employees around the campus
- Reduced project time from months to weeks via a custom fully-automated linux solution for processing sensitive PDF files

# Education

**Hope College** – B.S. Computer Science with a minor in Mathematics

Class of 2019

Holland, MI