

= Evan Lorne =

Major Evan Lorne , USAF is a fictional character in the Canadian ? American Sci @-@ Fi Channel television series Stargate SG @-@ 1 and Stargate Atlantis , two military science fiction shows about military teams exploring the galaxy via a network of alien transportation devices . Played by Kavan Smith , Evan Lorne was first introduced as a recurring character in the seventh season of Stargate SG @-@ 1 , holding the military rank of Major in the United States Air Force . He joins the Atlantis expedition after " The Siege " as one of the personnel on the Daedalus class battlecruiser .

Lorne was a recurring character in seasons seven and ten in Stargate SG @-@ 1 and season two ? season five in Stargate Atlantis . Smith was originally supposed to play another character in Stargate Atlantis , but the producers eventually decided to keep Lorne , since he was popular with the fans according to Smith himself . He appears in a total of 29 episodes .

= = Character arc = =

Lorne first appears in Stargate SG @-@ 1 episode " Enemy Mine " . Lorne reappears as a part of the new personnel sent after the Wraith siege by the Daedalus and serves as Atlantis ' military second @-@ in @-@ command under Lieutenant Colonel John Sheppard . In " Runner " , he assists Sheppard , Teyla Emmagan , and Rodney McKay in the search for Aiden Ford . Lorne possesses the ATA gene , but it has never been revealed whether his gene is natural or artificial . He is seen piloting a Puddle Jumper in several episodes including " Condemned " and " The Hive " .

Lorne is one of the Atlantis Expedition members in " This Mortal Coil " that the Replicators take the form of , but they are all killed by Oberoth . In an alternate timeline shown in the episode " The Last Man " , Lorne is a Major General and appears to be in command of the Stargate Command (SGC) . Lorne also appears as the team leader of the SG @-@ 1 unit in an alternate universe in the SG @-@ 1 season 10 episode " The Road Not Taken " .

In " Doppelganger " , Lorne threatens Sheppard while sleepwalking , believing him to be a Replicator . Lorne is stunned by Ronon Dex , and while being questioned by Dr. Kate Heightmeyer says that he " hadn 't had a sleepwalking incident since he was ten . " Lorne 's mother , an art teacher , taught him how to paint on weekends when he was growing up , and Lorne rekindles this muse during his stay on Atlantis . In " Tabula Rasa " , Lorne , while being semiamnesiac , takes a severe overdose of a delaying medicine that is supposed to hold back the illness . This causes him (and all of his team) to become paranoid , aggressive and confused and they resort to shooting with stunners everyone they see even if they are not affected by the sickness . Eventually , though , a picture of Sheppard convinced him to assist Ronon treat the sick . He later apologised to Sheppard . Originally from San Francisco , California , Lorne also has a sister who has two young boys . He loves ice cream .

= = Conceptual history = =

The character was introduced in the Stargate SG @-@ 1 episode " Enemy Mine " . Kavan Smith had formed a close relationship with director Peter DeLuise before being cast . When the development of the episode was finished , there were no plans of expanding Lorne 's role in the franchise . Smith himself felt the part would not " necessarily " lead anywhere big . Sometime after shooting " Enemy Mine " , the producers wanted to talk to Smith about the possibility of having him return to the spin off series , Stargate Atlantis . After the talk , Smith auditioned for a part , he won and received a different character . According to Smith , this character was more of a " military guy " , but the producers eventually decided to give Smith back his old character , Lorne .

When talking about season two of Stargate Atlantis , staff writer , Martin Gero said Lorne had become the most notable recurring character of the series . In an interview with Smith , it was revealed that Lorne 's first name was decided to be " Evan " , later confirmed by executive producer , Joseph Mallozzi . While fans on the other hand , have given him the first name , Marcus (or , alternately , Nick) , the producers or writers have not responded to this . In the episode " Spoils of

War " , a character was going to call him " Uncle Evan " , this scene was cut off , because of time constraints .

At first , plot information about the episode , " Coup D 'etat " was a bit scarce . Many fans speculated that they were going to kill Lorne off the show . Smith went and had a brief talk with the writing staff , responding to his worries that it was a part of a " cliffhanger " . According to Smith , the only reason for making Lorne a recurring character was the positive feedback from fans . " Sunday " became the first episode to reveal information about Lorne 's backstory . Smith described Lorne as " that sort of faithful , loyal guy that everybody kind of knows , " and representing a " steady constant . " On his own weblog , Joseph Mallozzi said that Lorne as a character would become more active during season 5 .

= = Reception = =

Cynthia from Sci Fi Universe commented that Kavan Smith played a character who had the " same name " as the character he originally portrayed in Stargate SG @-@ 1 , but was " not really the same guy " . Concluding her review saying she reacted positive towards the evolution of the character . When talking about science fiction fandom , Smith said that he was " shocked " about the fan response to his character , further stating that this could only be possible in a science fiction television series . In the interview , Smith said that his " character seems to be developing ... I feel like his career is sort of moving ahead . " In an interview , Smith said he had evolved a strong fanbase , which started with his more obscure earlier work and has since followed him throughout his career . Because of the strong fan response , Smith has started to attend various Stargate conventions .