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Clayton Cadle

United States Air Force

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Mr. Cadle served with the U.S. Air Force from 1973 until 1994. He experienced a number of transfers during his career in the Air Force. He completed Basic Training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX. He attended Tech School to be a Communication Technician at Keesler AFB, Biloxi, MS. Mr. Cadle provided ground support for the Airbourne Command Post for the RAF in Uxbridge, United Kingdom. At Langley AFB VA, he tracked personnel and equipment needed by combat units. Again at Keesler AFB, he spent 5 years as a Master Instructor training the next generation of communication technicians. At Andersen AFB Guam, he participated in multiple wartime training exercises. Mr. Cadle was also deployed to the Philippines when Mt. Pinatubo erupted and helped to set up emergency communications and assisted in evacuation of Air Force and Navy personnel and their families. At Scott AFB, IL, he was with the U.S. Transportation Command which provided support to deployed personnel after the first Gulf War.



After Mr. Cadle retired from the Air Force in 1994, he went to work in Chesterfield, MO in the communication field. His original employer was bought out by a number of companies and he was ultimately offered a job in another city. Since the family was happy in the St. Louis area, they chose not to move. He went to work as a contractor at Scott Air Force Base in the Network Operations Center (NOC). He held this job from 2004 to 2015 until the contract changed companies and he was again laid off. He found another job in the communications sector but this company was bought out and the local office was closed. Again, he was offered a transfer and again, they chose to stay in the St. Louis area. He commuted to Des Moines IA to work for CenturyLink during the years 2017 and 2018. In 2017, he was able to switch to another group in CenturyLink and worked locally until he retired in 2021.

Mr. Cadle and his wife Sharon were married in 1976. They have three daughters and five grandsons.