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Alaska State Trooper since 2004
U.S. Navy (1989-1992)

During his Navy career, Shanigan traveled to 31 countries. His favorite place was Perth, Australia. Following basic training at San Diego, Shanigan spent six months of and on playing the tuba with the Southern California Navy marching band. Afterward, he went to the Navy Master-At-Arms Academy at Fort McClellan, Ala., and then served with VP Submarine Patrol Squadron 19 stationed at Moffitt Field, Calif. The VP-19 was a P-3 Orion squadron that patrolled for foreign submarines in the Pacific and Indian oceans and the Arabian Gulf. In 1990, Shanigan transferred to the USS Okinawa based out of San Diego, Calif. as a master-at-arms (Navy police). In mid-1990, the USS Okinawa was tasked with drug interdiction along the western coast of Mexico near Baja, Calif. with Marines and Coast Guard personnel. In August of 1990, the USS Okinawa was deployed with the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) in support of Operation Desert Shield, then once again for Desert Storm and was the first U.S. Naval Ship to arrive in the Persian Gulf. The USS Okinawa was designated as the command ship for U.S. Naval Forces for much of the time during Desert Shield and Desert Storm. While stationed onboard the USS Okinawa, his unit was recognized for the longest deployment at sea without coming to port in naval history (305 days). While assigned to the USS Okinawa and the 13th MEU, Shanigan made two more deployments – to the western Pacific and Arabian Gulf in support of military operations in the Philippines, Thailand and the evacuation of Somalia a few months prior to the incident known as Black Hawk Down. Shanigan and the Okinawa shared their last day in the Navy. Shanigan attended the Okinawa’s decommissioning ceremony on Dec. 17, 1992, the same day he was honorably discharged from the Navy.



JAMES “JC” ARRINGTON

Alaska State Wildlife Public Safety Tech II at Mat-Su West since 2008
U.S. Air Force (1986-2006)

Arrington spent 20 years in the Air Force as an aircraft maintenance scheduler. After basic training at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas, he received his job training at Chunte AFB in Illinois. His first duty station was at Myrtle Beach AFB in S.C. from 1986-1990 where he worked scheduling the replacement of expired parts for A-10 Warthog aircrafts. Afterward, he went to Kusan AFB in South Korea for a year to work on F-16s. He used this first overseas tour as a chance to travel. Then it was to Ellsworth AFB in South Dakota from 1991-1995 where he managed the maintenance on the nuclear armed B-1B bombers that were constantly on alert for national defense. He made his way to Alaska for his first time and “found out what cold weather really means” while stationed at Eielson AFB near Fairbanks from 1996-2000. While there, he attended the University of Alaska-Fairbanks in his spare time, earning an associate degree in management. His last duty station was at Mountain Home AFB in Idaho from 2000-2006. During that time, he spent five months deployed to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson to arrange the transfer of 24 F-15Es to Mountain Home. He retired and moved to Alaska where he has been “enjoying the different challenges of assisting the state wildlife troopers” in the Valley since 2008.

