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WORK HISTORY/ EXPERIENCE

DIOCESE OF TUCSON

- Youth Director – June 1973 to December 1977 at St. Cyril of Alexandria Catholic Church. Attended the Diaconate program and preliminary seminary instruction while attending the University of Arizona

THE PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

- Detention Officer (Non-Sworn) - December 1977 to September 1978
- Jail Programs Director – September 1978 to September 1979 - Work Release Facility
- Patrol Deputy/Community Resources Deputy – September 1979 to May 1986
- Deputy of the Year 1981.
- Developed nationally and internationally award-winning Crime Prevention and Volunteer programs.
- Patrol Sergeant/Public Information Sergeant/CID Sergeant – May 1986 to October 1993
- Lieutenant/SWAT Commander/Communications-911 Center Commander – October 1993 to October 1999
- Captain/Administrative Division – Budget, Human Resources Commander/Patrol Division Commander – October 1999 to September 2005
- Bureau Chief/Operations Bureau Commander – September 2005 to May 2010
- Chief/Operations Bureau and Investigations Bureau Commander – May 2010 to May 2013
- Reserve Deputy – May 2013
- Appointed - Senior Executive Advisor to the Sheriff – November 2013 to March 2014
- Appointed - Communications Manager/911 Center Manager – March 2014 to January 2017
- Retired – January 2017
- Appointed Chief Deputy – January 1, 2021, to Present

EDUCATION

- December 1972, Sahuaro High School, Tucson, AZ - Graduated with a 3.86 GPA, Honor Roll
- August 1973, University of Arizona - Major Psychology / Minor English
- Various, Continuing Education – Pima College – American Sign Language, English Writing, Astronomy

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Certified, International Association of Crime Prevention Practitioners', Crime Prevention Technician
- Certified (Northwestern Traffic Institute), Traffic Accident investigator/Reconstructionist
- Certified, Hostage/Crisis Negotiator
- Certified (IACP), S.W.A.T. Commander
- Certified, Enhanced Digital Access Communications System Administrator (EDACS)
- Certified, US Secret Service Dignitary Protection (Arizona Location Specific)
- Certified, Arizona Police Officer Standards and Training Instructor
- Numerous other Law Enforcement certifications; i.e.: HGN, FEMA National Incident Management, HazMat Management

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Board Member, 88-CRIME Silent Witness Program
- Technical Board Member, Pima County Wireless Interoperable Network
- Member, Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials
- Member, National Emergency Number Association
- Member, International Association of Chiefs of Police
- Member, International Society of Crime Prevention Practitioners

SKILLS

- Conversational Spanish
- Conversational American Sign Language

PERSONAL

- I was born to a military officer's family in Japan in May of 1955 and traveled the world.
- Married in 1980 - counting 41 years to my wife, Denise
- Raised two daughters who married career military officers
- Blessed with five granddaughters and one grandson
- Enjoy astronomy, physical science, computer science, golf, hiking, cars, and travel