

INDUCTEE

Brigadier General Jeffrey C. Horne

Graduated. . . . 1976
Married. Terri
Children Jennifer 24, Lindsey 21, Alex 14
Resides. Washington, DC area

In high school Jeff was best known for his leadership in the marching band. As a member of the marching band and strong contributor in the whole music program, he also worked 30 hours a week and maintained a 3.3 GPA. Jeff's strong association and mentoring by Gahanna residents Robert Kessler and Major General (R) James R. Williams led him to enroll in the ROTC program at the Ohio State University.

Horne earned a 3.4 GPA, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing and Economics and the Distinguished Military Graduate award when he graduated from OSU. He entered the US Army and was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division where he served for 5 years, deploying to multiple countries in Central America, Europe and the Pacific. During the years ahead he served in Europe, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), the 25th Infantry Division, NATO, multiple Defense Agencies, and most recently in Iraq as part of the Multi-National Corps. Academically he has earned Master of Science Degrees in Information systems and National Security Affairs.

Throughout his career he has been decorated many times, receiving the Bronze Star, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), The Joint Service Commendation Medal, Operation Iraqi Freedom medal, Army Expeditionary Forces medal, and many others. He has also earned Master Parachutist Badge, British Airborne Wings, Air Assault Badge, Master Space Operations Badge, and Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.

According to Major General Williams "Jeff Horne has always been selected ahead of his peers and as such (he) has attended the premier military educational institutions where he excelled. His military assignments have both expanded his talents and given him the opportunity to excel. All to this experience is critical to being selection for promotion to the general officer rank."

His family no longer lives in Gahanna, but they are nearby in Columbus. The Horne family remembers their 20 years in Gahanna with great joy and return to see friends as time permits. Jeff states simply that he has been honored to serve his country and that all of his success is "due to the family and community that had the patience and strength to guide him." General Williams remarked that "His (Jeff's) dedication to Gahanna Lincoln was never more apparent than when he made a quick trip home from Iraq to speak at the Gahanna Lincoln Veterans' Memorial dedication."

General Horne resides in the Washington, DC area with his wife Terri and their 3 children in Virginia. The military is a family as well as a profession. While their life has been marked by frequent separation, 22 moves, and personal hardship, the Jeffrey Horne family is as accomplished and close as you could ever hope for. General Horne notes that his children are achievers, too. Jennifer graduated with honors from high school and college and has served as an Air Force Officer. Lindsey lettered in 3 sports, holds Virginia swimming records, was selected as the Northern Virginia Athlete/Scholar of the Year, and is about to graduate Suma Cum Laude from the University of Virginia. Alex is growing into a great young man with good academic standing and was the only freshman selected to the Varsity Hockey team and also plays AA Virginia Travel Hockey.