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I was commissioned a 2d LT on 13 June 1950 at the AFROTC detachment at the University of Akron. Mary Skocich and I married on 19 August 1950. I was called to active duty in the USAF on 4 April 1951. I trained as an Air Intelligence Officer and was assigned to an Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron in Birkenfeld, Germany. Mary joined me and we began my career, our married life of 58 years and our family there.

She served with me at many bases in the United States and in Germany and Turkey. When she could not join me for tours in Vietnam and Japan, she stayed home and held the family together. She has earned the title, "VETERAN" every bit as much as I have.

During my career, I served in the fields of Intelligence, Security, Law Enforcement, Corrections, Air Base Security, and Air Base Defense. I had the honor to command the 35th Security Police Squadron at Phan Rang AB, Republic of Vietnam, from 10 August 1968 to 5 August 1969.

I retired from the United States Air Force in the grade of Colonel on 1 April 1981 and Mary and I moved to Lakengren where we built our home on Plunder Cove. Five of our six children are graduates of Miami University and its Reserve Officer Training Corps programs. They served our Great Nation as career officers in the United States Air Force and the United States Marine Corps.