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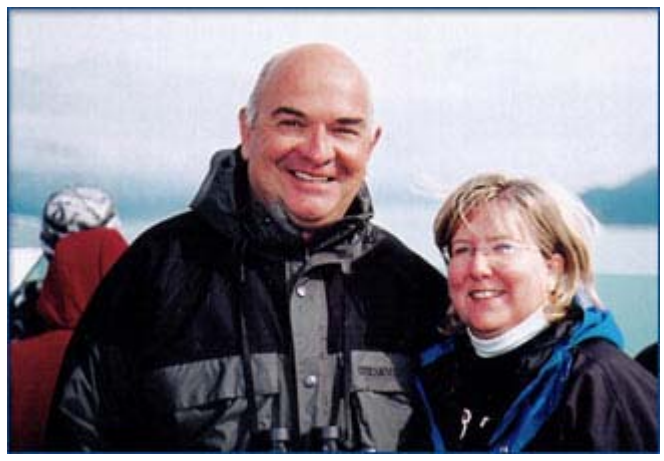
RICK CAYTON

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT



My name is Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Richard B. Cayton. This website is the only authorized and accurate website with information about me and my career in the United States Army.

I served my country honorably in the United States Army for over 30 years. I retired as the Command Sergeant Major of Forces Command, Fort McPherson, GA. The Cayton family service to this country started with my great grandfather during the civil war. My grandfather and father were soldiers; my father also achieving the rank of Command Sergeant Major.

It is true that in recognition of my service to the United States I have received many awards, commendations and citations, some of which can be viewed on this website. However, to me, the most meaningful achievement has been my service to this country.

As a commander in the armed forces my objective was not to make friends but to make soldiers of the men and women who served with me. Command decisions are not made for popularity purposes but with the goal of creating a force capable of defending our country. It was always my goal to help create a strong army and to ensure those soldiers under my command completed the mission and safely returned home to their families.

Freedom of speech is a right guaranteed by the United States Constitution, a document and principal I spent my entire professional career supporting and defending. You can see for yourself the price I paid. I would do so again tomorrow if called upon. With the advent of the internet and its progeny of blog sites, chat rooms and limitless webpage's, information can be is published and somehow is given credence regardless of the authors motives or the information's veracity.

I am proud of my service and the service of all soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines who served and continue to serve this great nation of ours.

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