

Tommy Scott
Lieutenant Colonel, US Marine Corps (retired)
GG-14 US Federal Civilian Logistics Department Head (retired)

Bio/Career Overview:

Note: Served on the City of Tupelo's Police Chief Search Committee that led to the hiring of current Chief John Quaka.

Born in Columbus, MS. Graduated and enlisted in the US Navy in 1976.

During my 3 1/2 years in the Navy I served as an electronics technician assigned to Air Force One Ground Presidential Communications transmitter site in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

After being reassigned to the Naval Training Base in San Diego; I attended the San Diego Community College as student enrolled in the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) program to compete for a full scholarship and officer training.

I was offered and accepted an ROTC scholarship to the University of Mississippi in 1979 and graduated in 1983 with a Bachelor in Public Administration with a minor in criminal justice.

Upon my graduation, I was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Marine Corps.

My duties in the Marine Corps included assignments:

- As a platoon commander of 35 Marines in the 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina;
- As the Ground Defense Officer and Guard Officer at the Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan;
- As the Commanding Officer of Charlie Company and later, Headquarters & Services companies at 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion. While with this battalion, I deployed to Okinawa, Japan and Pohang, South Korea and supported the planned non-combatant evacuation of personnel in Manila, Philippines during the failed coup attempt of President Corazon Aquino, AND to Southwest Asia in support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm;
- Served as the Inspector-Instructor of the 24th Marine Regiment (reserves). Supported operations on the border under Joint Task Force - 6 and humanitarian support during flooding in the Midwest;
- Served as the Officer in Charge of Assault Amphibian Detachment, Gulfport, MS;
- Assigned to 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (Anti-terrorism) as the Anti-Terrorism Officer in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF). Assigned in support of National Nuclear Security Agency (NNSA);
- Assigned as Anti-Terrorism Specialist to the Security Division, Headquarters, Marine Corps, Pentagon, Washington DC. I supported the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) as an anti-terrorism operations team member;
- Reassigned to Quantico, VA to standup new organization in support of OIF/OEF to develop & improve Marine culture and language capabilities.

I retired from the uniformed services of the US Marine Corps and was hired into the Federal Civilian Service as a Deputy and later Department Head for the Marine Corps Cyberspace Operations Group (MCCOG) at Quantico, VA. My duties included leading Marines and government civilians and managing assigned contractors in support of the MCCOG and Marine Corps. My staff under my leadership managed a nearly \$70M operating budget, \$100M contracts budget, over \$80M support assets in functional areas of labor, contracting, material readiness, financial management, facilities/safety/environmental, supply/warehousing/shipping & transportation, and physical security support.

I retired in July 2020 after nearly 44 years of service. I am married and now live in Tupelo, MS.

Was selected as the Naval Station Sailor of the Quarter and Sailor of the Year then selected to attend. In 1978 was reassigned to Naval Training Center, San Diego, CA.