

## Dave Weber

Missouri Army National Guard, Retired

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Raised in Nixa, Mo., Dave Weber spent 6 years of active service and 2 years of individual ready service with the Missouri Army National Guard. His Military Occupation Status was 02E—trombone player. He was stationed in Springfield, Mo. and says he really enjoyed playing parades and concerts throughout Missouri.

The highlight of his military career was the opportunity to travel to various bases throughout the U.S. "It was fun and very interesting to visit different locations throughout the country during our annual trainings where we filled in for the base band," Weber says.

While serving, he received an Army Expert Weapons Qualification for Rife and Grenade, Army Service Ribbon and Achievement Medal, and NCO Professional Development Medal.

Weber's biggest lesson learned was that everyone's ideas are very important when working through a problem, but many times things work out best when you just do what you are told or "stay in your lane."

If Weber were advising someone in the younger generation who was considering joining the military, he would tell them "Do it! The training process and military system will shape your life in the future for the better." It helped shape his life and instilled the discipline that helped him earn his masters from Mizzou in 1994.

Weber continues to serve the community as a board member of the MO SEMA SAVE Coalition as well as DHS FEMA US&R MO-TF1 and IST. He also keeps busy raising son Max, 18, and daughter Hanna, 16, with his wife Libby.

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