

# BIOGRAPHY



## **TECHNICAL SERGEANT MARTY B. BETTELYOUN**

Tech Sgt. Marty B. Bettelyoun was a combat controller assigned to 720th Operations Support Squadron, 720th Special Tactics Group, 24th Special Operations Wing, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla. As the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Surveys and Assault Zones, Bettelyoun provided assault zone and survey program management, training, and oversight for eight special tactics units encompassing over 900 combat controllers, pararescuemen, special operations weathermen, tactical air control party, and mission support personnel.



Bettelyoun entered the Air Force and graduated Basic Training in He completed Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape 2000.

school in 2001 and was assigned to the 22nd Training Squadron where he taught SERE techniques to thousands of aircrew, special operations forces, and high risk of capture personnel. Sergeant Bettelyoun retrained in 2006 to become a combat controller. After graduating one of the military's toughest training programs in 2007, he was assigned to the 321st Special Tactics Squadron at Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom, where he became the NCOIC of Surveys. Bettelyoun has deployed to multiple combat zones and sensitive areas across the globe throughout his career.

Officer perished due to injuries sustained in a military freefall accident, Aug. 3, 2015. He is survived by his parents. Bettelyoun is originally from Eugene, Oregon, and is survived by his wife and five children.

#### **EDUCATION**

2005 Airman Leadership School, Fairchild AFB, Wash.

2006 Associate's Degree in Survival Instruction, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2009 Associate's Degree in Airway Science, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2013 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Tyndall AFB, Fla.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. Mar 2000-May 2000, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 2. May 2000-Feb 2001, Student, 22d Special Tactics Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
- 3. Feb 2001-Aug 2007, SERE Instructor, 22d Special Tactics Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
- 4. Aug 2007-Jul 2012, NCOIC Airfield Surveys, 321st Special Tactics Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, U.K.
- 5. Jul 2012-Aug 2015, NCOIC Survey and Assault Zones, 720th Ops Support Sq, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

#### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Commendation Medal (one oak leaf cluster) Air Force Achievement Medal (two oak leaf clusters)

Meritorious Unit Award (four oak leaf clusters) Air Force Good Conduct Medal (four oak leaf clusters) National Defense Service Medal Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Air Force Overseas Ribbon Long Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon (two oak leaf clusters) USAF Noncommissioned Officer Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon (one oak leaf cluster) Air Force Training Ribbon

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION**

Technical Sergeant - Nov 2011 Staff Sergeant - Oct 2005 Senior Airman - Mar 2002 Airman First Class - Nov 1999

(Current as of August 2015)