

Hansen, Steven L. – Biography

Steven L. Hansen was born in June, 1972 and raised in Holladay, Utah to Nyle and LaVerle Hansen. Steven has four sisters, two older and two younger. Steven is currently not married and residing in St. George, Utah.

At the age of 14 he moved to Sugarhouse, then to Cottonwood. Through it all he stayed at Olympus Jr. High School and later Olympus High School where he graduated. Steven was active in the Choir, drama program, business programs, and graphics design programs. He was a member of VICA, FBLA, and Junior Achievement while in school. He competed in the regional and state FBLA/PBL competition placing 2nd in Graphical Design, and 2nd in Entrepreneurship regionally, and 6th in Graphical Design at state.

After High School, Steven joined the US Air Force Reserve and completed Basic Training in San Antonio, Texas and on to Technical School in Inventory Management in Denver, Colorado. When done with training he returned to join the 405th Combat Logistics Support Squadron at Hill AFB. In 1991 he was activated and deployed to Saudi Arabia as part of Operations Desert Storm and Harvest Falcon. Steven spent a total of 8 years in the US Air Force Reserve and was highly recognized for his work and efforts. Steven attained the rank of Staff Sergeant, and earned the Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Citation, Kuwaiti Liberation Medal – Saudi Arabia, Kuwaiti Liberation Medal – Kuwait, and National Defense Medal and other citations and recognitions.

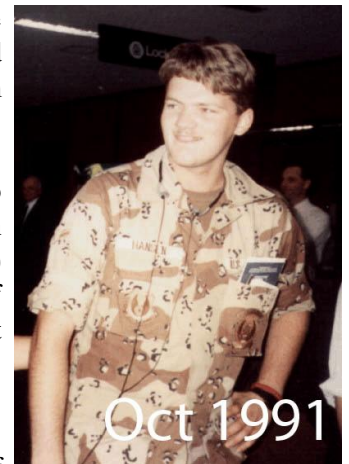
Professionally, Steven was involved in computers and technology. He started out in High School working at Software Etc. as a Senior Sales Associate selling software for the PC, Apple II, Amiga, and Macintosh. Steven moved on to Assistant Manager at Radio Shack, and then Assistant Manager at Egghead Software. While working at Egghead, he was approached to join the support group at Megahertz Corporation. Steven worked at Megahertz as a Sr. Applications Support Engineer for a year at before moving into IT as Sr. Help Desk. From there Steven's career took off. He worked various IT positions for Megahertz Corporation, US Robotics, 3Com Corporation, Palm Inc., and Seattle City Light.

In late 2003, Steven returned to Utah to attend Dixie State College in St. George to finish up his degree. He earned his Associates of Science in Business Administration (Cum Laude) and his Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration (Cum Laude) with a concentration in Internet and Visual Technologies from Dixie State College of Utah graduating in December of 2006. Academically he excelled earning great awards and scholarships while at Dixie.

While at Dixie State College, he actively participated with the Returning Adults program and served as the NETO Club Newsletter Editor and later the Club's VP of Communications. After graduation, Steven served two years on the Dixie State College Returning Adults Advisory Board, as an advisor and advocate for the Returning Adult/Non-traditional Student program and the related school club.

In 2007, Steven completed a Masters Certificate in Applied Project Management from Villanova University. He applied for the University of Massachusetts MBA program and was accepted for Fall of 2007. Steven is nearing completion of his MBA in International Business and should graduate in December, 2009. As part of his research for his degree he has studied the business culture of Russia and traveled to Russia three times. The resulting research and paper gained attention when he presented it at the 2008 Association for Global Business conference in Newport Beach, CA. Steven was the only student to present a paper at the conference, and his paper took top honors as Best Paper. The paper has also been accepted for publication in the Fall 2009 edition of Journal for Continued Research on Global Business.

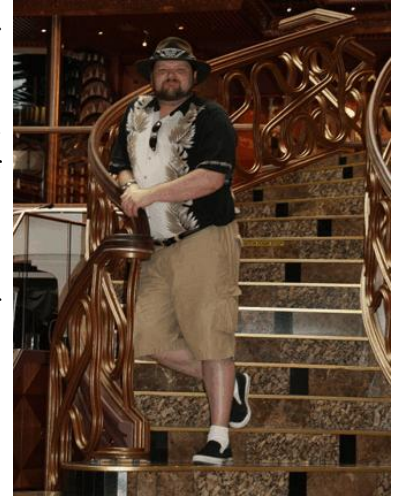
Steven is a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and is active in the St. George, Utah Post #2628, where he



currently serves a sixth term as Post Commander. He has held the offices of Post Commander for 5 terms, District 7 Commander for 1 term, and Assistant Department of Utah Inspector for 1 term. His time in the VFW has earned him 5 All-State Commander awards, and a National Outstanding Post Citizenship Education Chairman award.

Steven has also been active in the Boy Scouts of America. As an adult leader in the Boy Scouts of America, Steven has served at the unit, district and council level, distinguishing himself by earning the 2nd Miler Award, the District Committee Member Key, and the Cub Scouter Award. His activities include Camp Counselor, District Training Committee Member, District Camp Committee Member, Unit Advancement Committee Chairman, and Cubmaster. In his youth, he was active working as Camp Counselor at the Great Salt Lake Council's Cub Country. He had attained the BSA rank of Life, just shy of Eagle.

Steven is active in charitable efforts and has coordinated fundraisers for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of King County, Boy Scouts of America, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In 2006, 2007, and 2008 he went to Russia on a Humanitarian program to help aid the Children's School for the Def and Blind in Sergiev Posad, Russia. The group collected and took blankets, towels, toiletries, other supplies, and money to the school as part of their relief efforts. These trips were also an opportunity to study businesses and culture in Russia.



In 2008, Steven joined the Sons of the Utah Pioneers as a Life Member. He supports that the history of our heritage should be protected and passed on to our generations. Steven has a strong pioneer ancestry with his father's side his great, great grandfather being Ebenezer Beesely, former conductor of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Music Composer. On his mother's side we have the Wagstaff family and Smith family up in Summit County.

Steven is currently finishing up his education and pursuing employment opportunities to continue his professional career.