

**LTC JOSEPH L. MILEY**  
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LTC Joseph “Joe” L. Miley is a native of Brunson, S.C. He joined the South Carolina National Guard as a private first class in 1989, and he commissioned a second lieutenant in military intelligence upon his graduation from Clemson University in 1991 with a Bachelor of Arts.

In 2004, he earned a master's degree in management from Webster University. His military education includes the Military Officer Intelligence Officer Basic Course, the Air Defense Officers Advance Course, the Combined Arms Services Staff School, the Command and General Staff College, the Defense Strategy Course, and Space 200. He has also served as an adjunct professor for Distance Learning Command and General Staff School, and co-authored an article on “Space Artillery: Building the GMD Force of the Future” in the March-April 2008 edition of Fires Professional Bulletin.



His previous assignments include: S-2 intelligence officer, 2-263rd Air Defense Artillery; sensor platoon leader, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 263rd ADA; battery executive officer, B/2-263rd (Bradley Stinger Fighting Vehicle); battery commander, D/2-263 (Avenger); operations officer, 263rd ADA; ground-based midcourse defense operator, Army Space Command; senior tactical director, S-3, and executive officer, 49th Missile Defense Battalion; missile defense officer, U.S. Northern Command; and space and missile defense synchronization officer, Operations Division, Army National Guard. He also served as an Intelligence analyst to the United States Customs Service and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in Charleston, S.C., as well as counterdrug operations officer for the South Carolina National Guard.

LTC Miley's decorations and awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Services Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (four oak leaf clusters), Army Achievement Medal (three oak leaf clusters), the National Defense Service Medal (two oak leaf clusters), the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Ribbon with M Device, the Reserve Overseas Service Ribbon. He has earned the Army Senior Space Badge, and has been awarded space activities and strategist skill identifiers. His state decorations include the Texas Adjutant General Achievement Medal, the South Carolina Meritorious Service Medal, and the South Carolina Safety Ribbon. Civilian awards include the Drug Enforcement Administration Commissioner's Award and the Presidential Volunteer Award.

He is a member of the Moose Lodge, and serves as the vice president (Army) of the Alaska National Guard Officer's Association. He is married and has one child.

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