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VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

I spent 20 years in the military as an infantryman, and I love serving my country. Here, today with AFS, I'm able to do the same darn thing, except, instead of a rifle, I have a keyboard, and I can help keep soldiers safe with my software.

This opportunity popped up and it was an opportunity to work on aerostats, which are surveillance balloons that float above the battlefield, and feed data back to soldiers.

I had experienced these devices when I was in Iraq, and this was an opportunity to work on these same devices that helped keep me safe.

My very best day at work would be when my software flew. You work very hard getting software working correctly, and you get all of that software onto systems that are physically out at site, where they actually are launching and recovering these aerostats, it is really no different than being at a forward operating base in Iraq.

In fact, me and another AFS guy, who was former military, we were outside of the T-walls. A mortar round that was being fired as a test went off far away, but we still jumped. We had that moment, [chuckles] where we are right back in Iraq.

You work hard all day, and sometimes all night to get the software ready to fly. You get it on that aerostat, and it goes up. It's an amazing feeling when you get on those systems and get on those cameras, and you know that this is a piece of software that soldiers are going to be able to use to stay safe when they're deployed.

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