## Matt's BIO

Born in Kansas but I grew up in Iowa. I have been married 25 years and we have five children. I earned my B.S. from Kansas State University and my M.P.A from Webster University. I served in the Army for 24 years, as both an enlisted Soldier and Officer, and retired as a Major in 2017. My career took our family to live in several states as well as a tour in Germany. I have served three tours in Iraq and two in Afghanistan.

I am currently an apprentice in Deerbrook, WI and look forward to purchasing the farm that we have worked on for two years. I have taken on the role of veterans' liaison for the Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship in hopes to aid fellow veterans in entering agriculture fields.

My family and I enjoy the outdoors; camping, fishing, snowmobiles and ATVs. I am active in local 4-H, American Legion and VFW Posts.