Biography

Major General Stephen T. Rippe, U.S. Army (Retired)
Chief Executive Officer, Armed Forces Retirement Home

Major General Stephen T. Rippe, U.S. Army (Retired), is currently the CEO of the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

He previously served as executive vice president, the de facto CEO, of TrueTandem, a technology services company; president and CEO of The Army Distaff Foundation at Knollwood, a military continuing care retirement community; and as vice president, Middle East operations, for L-3 Communications, in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Prior to assuming his role with L-3 Communications, General Rippe served as the executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation in Washington, D.C. The Foundation is the governing body and operating structure for the Washington National Cathedral, National Cathedral School, St. Albans School, and Beauvoir: National Cathedral Elementary School.

General Rippe enjoyed 29 years of military service. He received a bachelor of science in business administration from Norwich University and was commissioned in the U.S. Army as a distinguished military graduate. A graduate of the National War College where he earned a master of military arts and science from the advanced military studies program, he served the Army as a ranger, parachute, and aviation-qualified infantry officer. The recipient of numerous awards and decorations, including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, General Rippe is recognized by membership in both the Honorable Orders of St. Barbara (Artillery) and St. George (Armor).

He served as a trustee on the Norwich University Governing Board from 2006 to 2021 and continues to serve as a special adviser to the David Lynch Foundation’s Center for Excellence in Military Health.

General Rippe is a resident of Washington, D.C., and is married to Kate Rice.