

Jon Lovald, Chief Operating Officer, Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans



Jon Lovald served in the US Army for 25 years. He retired from the military as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2015. Currently he is the COO of Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV) His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star and Meritorious Service Medal.

Jon began his military career in 1989 after graduating high school in Litchfield, Minnesota. He enlisted into the U. S. Army as a Communications Specialist serving in Korea and Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Attended Saint Cloud State University Army ROTC program in May 1998 commissioning as a Quartermaster Officer. He commanded at numerous levels throughout his career culminating at the Battalion Level. His overseas deployments include tours in Kosovo and Iraq.

Upon retiring from the military, he joined the Excelsior Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter. He is member of the John Vessey Jr. Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) and is active with numerous American Legion and VFW posts.

He is married to Nicole Lovald, who owns Spirit of the Lake Yoga and Wellness and is a Psychotherapist. They live in Excelsior with their son, Jackson and daughter Sofia who both attend elementary school at Minnetonka School District.

EDUCATION

Saint Cloud State University, BS, Mass Communications, Saint Cloud, MN US Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education