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Mr. Chip Lilly graduated with an English/Education degree from Berea College, KY. He enlisted as a Cavalry Scout in 1998 and has served in the US Army Reserves until the present. Holds the rank of Sergeant First Class. Upon completing PLDC, then SGT Lilly attended US Army Drill Sergeant School in 2002 and began training initial recruits at Basic Combat Training at Ft. Knox, KY and Ft Jackson, SC. After graduating from Combat Leaders Course at Ft Benning Mr. Lilly was deployed to Tal Afar, Iraq taking part in Operation Restoring Rights as a member of an embedded Military Transition Team with 3/1/3 Iraqi Army. In 2008 he deployed to Afghanistan to train BN sized Afghan Army elements as senior NCO of another embedded training team. He reclassified as 11B Infantryman. In 2012 he was selected and deployed to Saudi Arabia to train Facility Security Forces for the Department of State and CENTCOM.

Among Mr. Lilly's awards and decorations is the Bronze Star Medal. Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, and Drill Sergeant Badge.

Since 2009 Mr. Lilly has been a DOD contractor and Military Science Instructor at Fordham University and Marist College, NY, University of Virginia and Liberty University and currently at VMI. He and his wife, Tammy own Lilly Title and settlement. They have three children, Isaac, Kerstin and Alexandra and seven grandchildren.