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NAME

Charlie Stankie

CAREER

F22- Pilot, USAF

EDUCATION

B.S. Aerospace Engineering University of Central Florida

Expected M.S. Aerospace Engineering University of Central Florida

TEAM

Team 233, The Pink Team

YEAR(S) ATTENDED THE ORLANDO/ FLORIDA REGIONAL AS A STUDENT 2009-2012



HOW HAS FIRST IMPACTED YOUR LIFE PROFESSIONALLY AND/OR PERSONALLY?

Professionally, *FIRST* gave me confidence in my abilities, and the courage to take risks and bet on myself. On a personal level, everyone who takes part in these events experiences something special and unique. The friendships last a lifetime. During a Lockheed Martin internship, I pointed out to my manager that he had a picture with me on his desk. Astonishingly, we were both on the Florida Regional winning alliance nearly five years prior. The world truly is small with *FIRST*.

HOW HAS WHAT YOU LEARNED IN FIRST HELPED YOU SUCCEED IN YOUR CAREER?

Through FRC, I learned to thrive under stress and pressure brought upon by the heat of competition.

WHAT HAVE YOU WORKED ON IN YOUR CAREER THAT YOU ARE MOST PROUD OF?
Becoming a fighter pilot.