

Terry Mangum
North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police
President

You don't find guys like Captain Terry Mangum just anywhere. However, if you do happen to stumble upon one, you realize pretty fast how fortunate you are. Captain Mangum has spent the last 33 years in some form of public service. His hard work and commitment to his community and his fellow police officers is undeniable.

Mangum began his law enforcement career in 1976 with the Durham County Sheriff's Department, and a year later, began working for the Durham Police Department. He remained with the DPD, retiring as a Police Captain in 2004.



Throughout his working career, Mangum was comfortable wearing many different hats. He worked with various divisions including Uniform Patrol, Vice and Narcotics, Organized Crime, Community Services, Staff Services, and Records. He was also credited for developing the first K-9 program for the Durham Police Department and for becoming the first certified K-9 dog handler in the department. He even lent his hand in designing the DPD's patch and emblem. At the time of Mangum's retirement, he was serving as the District Commander for the Central District.

While working, Mangum took advantage of the educational opportunities he was given. During his career, he earned two Associate Degrees from Durham Technical Community College – one in Police Science, and the other in Fire Science. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Shaw University, and later earned a Master of Arts degree in Liberal Studies from Duke University.

It's no secret that Mangum took his police work very seriously. However, he also displays that same passion and enthusiasm as a member of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Mangum first joined the Durham County Lodge #2 in 1976. Less than four years later, he was elected Lodge Treasurer. Ever since that time he has continued to hold numerous positions including Lodge President, Vice President, Secretary, and Trustee. Currently, he is the Lodge 2nd Vice President, making it his 29th consecutive year serving on the Executive Board of Lodge #2.

Mangum's FOP work doesn't just stop at the local level. He is also involved with the Fraternal Order of Police on the state level, having served on the North Carolina State Lodge Executive Board for more than fourteen years. He is currently in his first term as President of the North Carolina State FOP Lodge.

Mangum has held other state-level positions during his tenure including Sergeant-At-Arms, Secretary and Vice President. He has also chaired several committees including the State Lodge Constitution & By-Laws Committee and the State Lodge Legislative Committee. Mangum also served as the Secretary for the NCFOP Foundation, Inc., from 2002-2007.

Mangum's hard work and dedication is very evident to those around him. Throughout his time in law enforcement, he has been consistently recognized by his community and his peers, winning the Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer Award by the Durham Jaycees in 1987.

The Durham Police Department recognized him in back-to-back years, awarding him the Medal of Valor in 1993, and the Purple Heart in 1994. In 1997, Mangum was one of the first law enforcement officers in North Carolina to receive the National Credentialed Law Enforcement Officer Award from the National Law Enforcement Credentialing Board.

In 2002, Mangum was recognized by the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police when he received the Thomas E. Kelly Memorial Award. This annual award was established by the North Carolina State Lodge to honor FOP members who display dedication and tenacity in the furtherance of the ideals and values of the FOP.

Mangum still remains busy in retirement. In addition to his FOP service, he is also an active member of many other community associations. However, when Mangum isn't involved in his community, he spends his time with his wife, Mary Jane, and their two sons, Joseph and John. Currently, Mangum is working on a book highlighting the 9th Army Air Corps' 98th Bomb Group, 1941-1943, with special emphasis on the ground maintenance crews.