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**Captian (Retired) Roger J Isom**

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*Local Resident Celebrates 31 Years of Naval Service*

Tallahassee, FL - He's traveled the world, worked with the president, and shaken hands with diplomats. But, the people he admires most? His family. Captain Roger G. Isom came back home to Monticello to celebrate his retirement from the U.S. Navy over the weekend. He was honored for 31 years of naval service. Isom has been deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom, won numerous awards, and was assigned to Joint Staff at the Pentagon. He says, "I have been blessed with so many opportunities, to be a part of an amazing profession, to work with amazing people and to do amazing things. Along the way I hope I made a difference in the world, and hopefully proudly represent my community." Captain Isom was the *third African American* to rise to the highest ranking position as Brigade Commander in the naval academy, where he was in charge of 4,500 students.

***Thank You Ms Lanetra Bennett***



**From Captain (Retired) Roger J Isom July 23, 2014**

**Good Evening Ms. Bennett,**

**I hope all is well. Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your outstanding efforts to make my military retirement interview a huge success for my family and Monticello community. I know this request came on short notice...**

**Your professionalism and patience with driving to my parent's distant home is deeply appreciated. I am grateful that you and your organization afforded me the opportunity to highlight and honor my family/community for their impact on my naval career.**

**I wish you continued success at WCTV.**

**Thanks again for your ongoing initiative to share positive stories within the local community.**

**My Best Regards,**

