



# Veteran + Banker

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# Chasa CROCKETT

**M**ilitary service is generational for banker Chasa Crockett.

Her grandfather retired from the U.S. Navy in 1975 and hearing his stories of survival and lost colleagues when she was young inspired her to pay homage.

“I wanted to do my part for my country and repay my debt for the freedoms I had growing up,” Crockett said. “I didn’t just want to exist, I wanted to make a difference. I wanted to live a life with trials and tribulations, experiences good and bad.”

Crockett served in a number of hot spots around the world during her 12-year military career. She had tours of duty in the Persian Gulf, the Bosnian War, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom. During her service, she earned an Army Service Ribbon along with the National Defense Service Medal. Her background with the military police special operations made her an expert in sharpshooting, a pastime Crockett still enjoys today.

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**E-5 SERGEANT**



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“The most rewarding experience was learning how to shoot and maintain different types of weapons from guns to chemical weapons,” she said. “I gained advanced knowledge of each and enjoy going to gun ranges to stay proficient. Shooting is one of my favorite pastimes.”

Most memorably, Crockett survived the tryouts for a position with S.O.R.T (Special Operations Reaction Team). She said it was some of the most extensive training “mentally, physically and emotionally that I have ever endured but being accepted to the team was so worth the challenge.”

All of that training and experience has benefitted her in her banking career with First Security Bank.

“I hold myself to a higher standard of conduct now than I did before serving in the Army. I learned professionalism, respect, discipline, punctuality, attention to detail and responsibility. I use each of these attributes daily and am almost 14 years strong as a banker today,” she said.



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And Crockett adds that you won’t find a stronger patriot than this Springdale bank employee.

“Patriotism to me means to assist, protect, and defend my country against all enemies - foreign and domestic - whether you are in the service or a civilian. Standing for our flag as it stands for us and for our freedom. I feel it is a responsibility of each individual to remember why the flag is our symbol of freedom,” she said. ▀