

Matt grew up in Trenton, Michigan where he played the majority of his youth hockey. He was a member of the 1984-85 Michigan High School Class A State Runner-up Team and the 1985-86 State Championship Team. Matt was recruited and went on to play four years of NCAA Division 1 Hockey at the Air Force Academy and graduated in 1990. Upon graduation, he completed Air Force Pilot Training over the course of the next year and continued to serve over 22 years in the Air Force on Active Duty, in the Air Force Reserve, and the Air National Guard. Matt was hired by American Airlines in 2000 and continues to fly with them today. While in the Air Force, Matt lived in Plattsburgh, NY, Grand Forks, ND, and then again in Trenton, MI. He had the opportunity to coach within USA Hockey at various levels from Mites all the way to High School Hockey, including from 2011-2014 at Prairie Ridge High School. Matt and his family have lived in Hampshire, IL since 2001.