

SAPPER PROFILE



- Name: Graeme Lambert
- Rank: MAJOR
- Unit: Retired

Graeme was born in 1954 in Newcastle NSW. In 1966, his family moved to Melbourne. Graeme completed his secondary school education at Templestowe High School and went on to complete a Bachelor of Arts at Swinburne College of Technology and a Diploma of Education at State College of Victoria Hawthorn. He commenced his career as a secondary school teacher at Mitcham Technical School in 1978. Mitcham Technical School became Mullauna College in 1989. Graeme is now retired having resigned from teaching in 2016 due to a spinal injury.

He took breaks from teaching in 1989 to undertake a period of CFTS at 7 FER; in 1996 to undertake a demining consultancy with the UN Demining Programme in Afghanistan and in 2011, he spent a year as a Law Instructor at the Victoria Police Academy.

On 14 Nov 78, he enlisted in the Army Reserve and commenced Officer Training in Course 16 at the Officer Cadet Training Unit, 3 Training Group. He graduated as a Lieutenant on 1 Nov 80 into the RAE.

Posting history includes: OCTU, 7FER, RCSC, HQ 4 BDE, 10 Fd Sqn, LHQ, 4 CER, MUR, CATC, CATDC, APAM, MUR, 22CR, HQ AAC BDE VIC.

Awards and decorations: Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (Afghanistan Clasp), RFD 2nd Clasp, ADM, UNSSM.

Graeme cites the highlights of his military service as: Commanding 10 Fd Sqn when it was an independent Field Squadron in direct support of 4 Bde, serving as a demining consultant to the UN Demining Programme in Afghanistan, organizing and running the recruiting campaign to raise 4 CER and serving as 2IC of MUR from 2005-7.

Graeme's partner Christine has three adult children. Graeme has 2 adult children. His son is a corporate lawyer and his daughter is a media professional.

Graeme was appointed as editor of Sapper Summit and to the Committee of the Royal Australian Engineers Association Victoria in 2014.
