

## LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT L. WEEKS, SR., US ARMY RETIRED

## RAM ATHLETIC FOUNDATION, INC.

## **VICE PRESIDENT**

Robert was born in Charlotte, NC and graduated from Olympic High School in 1974. After graduating from Olympic, Robert attended Winston-Salem State University.

He played center on the Rams football team and was a four-year letterman. He was offensive co-captain his junior and senior years. He was selected to all NAIA District 26 team, All CIAA Team and twice as a Pittsburgh Courier All American. Robert majored in Health and Physical Education and graduated cum laude in 1978.

Upon graduating from Winston-Salem State University on May 14, 1978, Robert was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the US Army as an Artilleryman. His first assignment was at the US Army Field Artillery Center at Fort Sill Ok, Officer Basic Course. After graduating from the Officer Basic Course, he was assigned as an instructor teaching map reading and Artillery survey for two years. In 1980, Robert was reassigned to the 2nd Infantry Division in South Korea. His assignments included Survey Platoon Leader and Battery Executive Officer. After leaving Korea in 1981, Robert completed airborne school at Fort Benning, GA and was later assigned to the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, NC. There he served as a Survey Platoon Leader, Counterfire Officer and Commander of a Target Acquisition Battery. Upon leaving Fort Bragg in 1985, he was assigned again to the US Army Field Artillery Center at Fort Sill and attended the Officer Advanced Course. He left Fort Sill and was stationed at the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff with duty at the University of Arkansas Monticello for two years and served as an Assistant Professor of Military Science. After leaving Arkansas, Robert was assigned to the 56<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Command (Pershing) in West Germany. His assignments there were as a Battalion Logistics Officer and Commander of a Headquarters and Headquarters Battery. In 1991, Robert attended the Command and General Staff College (CGSC) at Fort Leavenworth, KS. After completing CGSC in 1992, Robert attended the University of Missouri, Kansas City and obtained a master's degree in public administration. In 1993, he was assigned to Fort Sill Ok, and served as Battalion Operations Officer for one year. His last assignment on active duty was as Professor of Military Science at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro, NC. He retired from active duty on September 30,1998 at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

After retiring from the Army, Robert taught at Lincoln Middle School in Greensboro, NC for eighteen months. In 2001, he was Director of Veteran Services for Mecklenburg County, in Charlotte, NC and served for ten years. He retired in 2011 at the age of 55.

His professional organizations include, Prince Hall Mason, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Military Order of Purple Heart, Military Officers of America, American Veterans, The Retired Officers Association, and Black Men with a Purpose.

Robert actively volunteers at Winston-Salem State University. He currently serves on the Hall of Fame Committee and in the past on the Athletic Liaison Committee. He is a life member of Winston-Salem State University National Alumni Association.