Biographical Information

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From 1990-1992 he represented the Navy's interest on-site in McLean, Virginia, during the development of Over-the-Horizon Targeting software for the Combat Control System Mk 2. Prior to that he investigated the use of data visualization techniques for the display of Combat Control System information.

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He is married, is an active member of Channing Memorial Church in Newport, Rhode Island, and enjoys gardening, tennis, walking, biking, and the theatre.

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