

## Steve Marshall 'Bear' RAAF AIR MOVEMENTS

Steve commenced at Air Movement Richmond (AMSRIC) in 1975 where he worked in receipts and despatch. After completing his aircraft loaders course later that year, Steve moved onto shift. At the time, FLTLT Len 'Bullets' Bowen was the Senior Air Movement Officer. In 1977, Steve was 'Z' graded to Darwin followed by short spell at 1CAMD, Kingswood.

Another stint at AMSRIC followed where Steve again worked on shift (24 on, 24 off) under SQNLDR 'Jumping' Jim Halloran, Senior Air Movements Officer. Back to AMSDAR (1980-1982) under FLTLT Eicken-Smythe, Duty Air Movement Officer.

Back to AMSRIC (1982-1986) saw Steve again on shift, 24 on 24 off under SQNLDR Shepherd, Senior Air Movement Officer. WOFF John Rowe was the AMSRIC Warrant officer.

Steve's next posting was west to 3 Telecommunications Unit. He was finally promoted to corporal in 1988 and posted sideways to Base Squadron Pearce under FSGT Ferdy Fernandez OAM, Warehousing Officer.

Steve left the RAAF in ..... to take up a job, which unfortunately, fell-through on day of discharge. He re-enlisted and was posted to Air movement Williamtown under WOFF Frank Zucca the Duty Air Movement Officer.

Discharging again 1993, Steve moved back to Western Australia to make a new start in life. He is still there and says its bloody great place. Steve is currently employed by a company called DORMA Automatics as the Logistics Controller for Western Australia. A great company which Steve says has just reached its 100th anniversary.

Steve thoroughly enjoyed his time in the RAAF where he met a lot of excellent people, many names of which can be seen on this web site, but sadly, some deceased.

Steve says that every time he hears an aircraft overhead, he must check it out to make sure it's not a scheduled service coming in to off-load; Southern Service, BU, Western Service, Round Robin just to name a few.

Here is a short list of BEARS that Steve knew who made it to loadies: Lindsay Parchert, Ian McLaren, Les Shaw, Mick Bent, Darrell Bent, Brian Stringfellow; Ray Loxley nearly made it.

Cheers to all and a healthy and LONG life.

Steve Marshall alias 'YOUNG TOM'.