

#### >>> About Me



- NJ native
- Family of 5
- Wife: Sheila and 3 kids
- Avery (3), Reese (2), Derek (1)



- Former baseball player
- Rarely follow & watch games these days (goal for retirement!)
- Yankees fan



 Dress like I golf more than I golf although I'm trying to change that!

I believe in hardwork and getting sh!t done. I love competing. Details matter. Less talk, more action.

"Obstacles are what you see when you take your mind off your goals." -Unknown

#### >>> About Me

Network Engineer - Becton Dickinson - 2001 - 2004 (includes internship)

**Associate Systems Engineer - Cisco - 2005** 

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Systems Engineer - Cisco - 2006 - 2008

Solutions Architect - Bluewater/Presidio - 2008 - 2014

I knew nearly zero about software, DevOps, and automation until 2013

Network to Code - 2014 - Present



## Succeeding and Excelling at Network to Code

#### >>> Take advantage of these two guys...





#### >>> Listen to these two guys...





But, go beyond listening...
Ask questions, ask the dumb questions...



## Be Accountable.



## Have a Plan.



#### Focus on the Details.



# If you see something, say something.



# **Set Expectations.**



#### Focus on the Outcome.



#### The Best Technical Solution.

VS.

# Best solution given time, money, skills, and knowing who is going to support it.

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