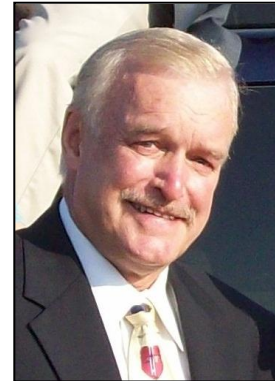




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## ROBERT “BOB” BERGQUIST BIOGRAPHY

**Birthday:** June 25, 1947  
**Resides:** Norwell, Mass.  
**Hometown:** Hingham, Mass.  
**Spouse:** Gail  
**Children:** Courtney, Brittany and Robbie  
**Volunteer:** President, Cell Phones For Soldiers  
**Occupation:** Retired Middle School Science Teacher



Bob Bergquist serves as president for one of the most impactful military-based foundations in the country. Cell Phones For Soldiers® is a nonprofit which provides cost-free communication services and emergency funding to active-duty military members and veterans. As president of Cell Phones For Soldiers, Bergquist manages the accounting and decision-making for the organization.

In 2004, he helped his children Robbie and Brittany, then 12 and 13, found Cell Phones For Soldiers. For more than a decade, Cell Phones for Soldiers has provided troops with more than 216 million minutes of FREE talk time through its calling card program, Minutes That Matter and kept more than 11.7 million cell phones out of landfills. Bergquist attributes the success of the charity to his family’s commitment and never-ending passion to help military families.

In 2012, the family launched Helping Heroes Home, an initiative of Cell Phones For Soldiers that provides emergency funds for returning veterans to alleviate communication challenges as well as physical, emotional and assimilation hardships and has since served more than 2,800 veterans.

A life-long Massachusetts resident, Bergquist grew up in Hingham, Mass., and earned both his Bachelor of Science and a master’s degree in education from Bridgewater State College. After 28 years as a seventh-grade science teacher, Bergquist retired from teaching in June 2013. He and his wife, Gail, have lived in Norwell, Mass., since 1987.

In his free time, Bergquist enjoys traveling, sailing, painting murals and watercolors, home improvement projects and spending time with family and friends. Bergquist looks forward to dedicating more time to the efforts of Cell Phones For Soldiers and hopes to volunteer in classrooms and tutor those in need.

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