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Couple experience Iraq deployment together

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — Terry Steuart and his wife Carol Steuart, both employees of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntsville Engineering and Support Center, traveled to a dangerous part of the world to support the troops and witness history in the making.

Carol Steuart, project engineer in Huntsville Center's Electronic Security Systems section, and Terry Steuart, project manager in Huntsville Center's Ordnance and Explosives Directorate, left Huntsville, Ala., five months ago to embark on a yearlong journey in Iraq.

Even though they both work at Victory Army Base in Baghdad, Iraq, they are in separate offices with different missions.

"I am the resident engineer at the Victory Area Office, South," Terry said. "I manage a variety of construction projects, such as schools, water networks and sewage networks, in the Baghdad vicinity."

"I work on the opposite side of the base as a construction representative for the Victory North Resident Office," Carol said. "I do quality assurance for construction of several projects inside the base, such as canal pumping stations, canal cleanup and sewage pump stations."

Terry said he enjoys completing projects that directly affect the living conditions of the Soldiers and the Iraqi people, but there are certain aspects he doesn't enjoy.

"My least favorite aspect of the job is having a project blown up by insurgents during the final stages of completion. Since I have been here, we have had two projects in the final stages of completion get blown up by insurgents," Terry said. "It is very dangerous to go outside the base to look at my projects."

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