

Gregory C. Miglino Jr.

Bellport High School Class of 1986



Born in Brooklyn, NY, Chief Gregory C. Miglino, Jr. has been a resident of the South Country community for the last 54 years. Upon early graduation from BHS, he would immediately begin his life of public service by enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. That enlistment would be the start of 21 years of military service that would see him rise from the rank of Private to that of Captain. Upon separation from active duty and transfer to the reserves, Chief Miglino would continue his career in public service by taking on multiple roles at the Village, Town, County, State and Federal levels of government.

One of his most rewarding assignments was when he was afforded the privilege to return to the South Country Central School District as a member of the Board of Trustees, serving as the President of the Board from 2007-2010. While there, he was given the opportunity to implement changes to the district's facilities and equipment that would help carry it into the future. From inside the classrooms to the athletic fields, these changes are still visible today.

It is fair to say that Chief Miglino is best known for his work in the Emergency Medical Services field, where he has responded to over 50,000 alarms since 1991. Most notably he has held leadership roles and responded to the following incidents: 25th Woodstock Reunion (1994), Westhampton Wildfires (1995), Crash of TWA Flight 800 (1996), Great NYS Ice Storm (1998), World Trade Center Collapse (2001), Hurricane Katrina (2005) and the Binghamton Floods (2006).

Having served as Chief of South Country Ambulance since 1997, he is currently the longest serving EMS Chief Officer in the history of Suffolk County. During his tenure, the Department was named the EMS Agency of the Year, which is the top EMS award given by the State and County. He has personally received numerous decorations for service, including being the only two-time recipient of the EMS Leader of the Year Award.

Chief Miglino holds a B.A. in American History and Criminal Justice from SUNY Albany and has graduated from the following: SUNY Stonybrook School of Medicine, Empire State Military Academy, U.S Army Signal Officers Course, U.S Marine Corps Communication and Electronic Warfare School.