

Footloose

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FOOTLOOSE. The code name used by U.S. Army Sergeant Andrew D. Myers. Growing up, Footloose excelled at whatever he did. He was his senior class valedictorian, captain of the track team and an Eagle Scout. But while studying for his degree in Physical Education, Footloose dropped out of school and became quite weird for about three years, heading off to Venice, California to "find himself". It suddenly came to him one day that his life had no meaning and promptly joined the Army. After basic training and AIT at Fort Benning, he attended jump school and the desert training unit. He eventually joined the G.I. Joe team as an infantry trooper. Upon his arrival on the Joe team, he found himself nervous and on edge due to being quickly thrust into duty, battling Cobra's new Crimson Guard at the Arbco Brothers Circus where the elite Cobras were secretly stationed. A short time later, he and several other Joes stormed a house on Staten Island where an undercover Cobra agent had been living. The discoveries after the raid led the Joes to the Gulf of Mexico and the newly created Cobra Island. Footloose quickly settled into life on the Joe team and participated in many missions, including an undercover mission in Afghanistan to recover a top secret laser cannon from the October Guard, and a near-disastrous mission to capture a Soviet scientist in Southeast Asia. Later, Footloose served as part of the security detail at the Joes' secret facility at the Presidio in San Francisco. Years later, Footloose eventually joined the reinstated Joe team in its invasion of Cobra Island to battle the forces of a revived Serpentor. After the Joes stopped a plot by Cobra to unleash the weapon known as the Tempest, and defeated a new threat, the Red Shadows, the military again disbanded the team. One year later, the Joe team was reformed with a smaller roster of active members. Footloose, like most former Joes, is a reserve member of the new team. He fought in Bolivia during the conflict known as World War III.

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