



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

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Colonel Travis A. Willis assumed the duties of 19th Air Force Vice Commander in January 2018.

He received his commission from the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, in 1988. Prior to this, he was a Senior Airman in the 301st Security Forces Squadron, United States Air Force Reserve, Carswell Air Force Base, Texas. He has held several staff positions in Germany, England, Saudi Arabia, Afghanistan, the United States and Turkey. He commanded a Navy flying squadron and an Air Force group. His last post was the Air Attache' to the American Embassy in London.

He has served as an Instructor and Evaluator Weapon Systems Officer in the F-111F, F-15E, and T-1. He flew in the first wave of Operation DESERT STORM. His other deployments include: Operations PROVIDE COMFORT, NORTHERN and SOUTHERN WATCH, DENY FLIGHT, ALLIED FORCE, ENDURING FREEDOM, NOBLE EAGLE and UNIFIED PROTECTOR-LIBYA.

Colonel Travis A. Willis



EDUCATION

- 1988 Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington
- 1996 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 2001 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 2002 Master's degree in Aeronautical Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
- 2005 Air War College, by correspondence
- 2009 Naval War College, Naval Air Station Newport, Rhode Island
- 2009 Master's degree in National Security and Strategy, Naval War College, Naval Air Station Newport, Rhode Island

ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1988 - August 1989, Undergraduate Navigator Training, Mather Air Force Base, California
2. September 1989 - November 1989, Student, Lead-In Fighter Training, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico
3. November 1990 - June 1990, Student, F-111A training, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho
4. July 1990 - December 1992, F-111F, Instructor/Evaluator Weapons System Officer, 493rd Tactical Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England
5. January 1992 - June 1992, Student, F-15E training, Luke Air Force Base, Arizona
6. June 1992 - March 1997, F-15E, Instructor/Evaluator, Weapons System Officer, 492nd Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England
7. April 1997 - December 1998, Planner, 32nd Air Operations Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany

8. January 1999 - May 2001, F-15E Instructor/Evaluator Weapons System Officer, 492nd Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England
9. June 2001 - June 2002, Executive Officer to Commander, Third Air Force, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England
10. June 2002 - February 2003, Member, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command Commander's Action Group, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
11. March 2003 - December 2004, Senior Officer Management, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
12. January 2005 - January 2006, Executive Officer, Joint Naval Flight Training Squadron VT10, Pensacola, Florida
13. February 2006 - April 2007, Commanding Officer, Joint Naval Training Squadron VT10, Pensacola, Florida
14. June 2007 - July 2008, Deputy Commander, 4th Operations Group, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina
15. August 2009 - June 2009, Student, U.S. Naval War College, Newport Naval Station, Rhode Island
16. July 2009 - June 2011, Commander, 479th Flying Training Group, Pensacola, Florida
17. June 2011 - December 2013, Division Head, NATO Tactical Evaluation, Air Command Izmir, Turkey
18. June 2013 - July 2017, United States Air Attaché to the United Kingdom
19. June 2017 - January 2018, 19th Air Force Director of Operations, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
20. January 2018 - Present, 19th Air Force Vice Commander, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Master, Weapon Systems Officer

Flight hours: More than 3,000

Aircraft flown: F-111F, F-15E, T-1, T-6

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross, "V" device with oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with ten oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Navy Commendation Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Kosovo Campaign Medal

Afghanistan Campaign Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with oak leaf

cluster NATO Medal (Bosnia, Yugoslavia, Afghanistan and Libya)

Kuwait Liberation Medal Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Kuwait Liberation Medal Government of Kuwait

(Current as of January 2018)