



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL ESTEBAN L. RAMIREZ

Col Esteban L. "Esty" Ramirez is the Vice Commander, 932d Airlift Wing, Scott AFB, Ill. The wing flies the C-40C aircraft and is the premier Distinguished Visitor airlift operation in the Air Force Reserve Command. With more than one thousand members, the wing equips, trains, and organizes a ready force of Citizen Airmen to support and maintain all facets of air base operations involving infrastructure and security.

Col Ramirez graduated and received his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Sciences. He then graduated Undergraduate Pilot Training in 1993 from Reese AFB, Texas. Throughout his career, he has served in various positions including Commander of the 931st Operations Support Squadron, as well as the deployed Chief of Safety for the wartime Joint Special Operations Task Force II (Kosovo). After nine years on active duty, he joined the Reserve where he has served the last fifteen years. Since becoming a reservist, his background now includes flying as a pilot with a major airline, as well as managing aircraft development as the Director of Systems Engineering for a major aircraft manufacturer.



Col Ramirez is a command pilot with more than 5,000 hours. As the Distinguished Graduate of the KC-135R Aircraft Commander Initial Qualification Course, he has mobilized four times in support of worldwide contingencies accumulating more than 100 combat sorties and 1,000 hours of combat and combat support as part of Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, JOINT FORGE, DENY FLIGHT, RESTORE HOPE, ALLIED FORCE, NOBLE EAGLE, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, and NEW DAWN.

EDUCATION

1991 Bachelor of Science in Engineering Sciences, US Air Force Academy, Colo.
1996 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
1997 Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2008 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2010 Master of Arts in Human Resource Development, Webster University, St Louis, Mo.
2012 Air War College, by correspondence
2014 USAF Reserve Commanders Course, Robbins AFB, Ga.
2014 Mobility Commanders Tactics Course, St Joseph ANG Base, Mo.
2014 USSTRATCOM Strategic Weapons Commander Course, Offutt AFB, Neb.
2014 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Fort Leslie J. McNair, Washington D.C.
2015 Leadership Today and Tomorrow, Washington D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1991–December 1991, Assistant Current Operations, US Air Force Academy, Colo.

2. December 1991–January 1993, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Reese AFB, Texas
3. January 1993–September 1993, Student, KC-135R Combat Crew Training School, Castle AFB, Calif.
4. September 1993–June 1994, KC-135R Pilot, 28th Air Refueling Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
5. October 1993–June 1994, T-38 Advanced Co-pilot Enrichment, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
6. June 1994–February 1997, KC-135R Aircraft Commander/Executive Officer/Chief of Safety, 350th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
7. July 1994–February 1997, C-12 CTP Aircraft Commander, 22nd Air Refueling Wing, McConnell AFB, Kan.
6. February 1997–April 1998, 22nd Air Refueling Wing Flying Safety Officer, McConnell AFB, Kan.
7. April 1998–January 1999, T-1A Instructor Pilot, 48th Flying Training Squadron, Columbus AFB, Miss.
8. January 1999–April 1999, 14th Flying Training Wing Flying Safety Officer, Columbus AFB, Miss.
9. April 1999–January 2000, Chief of Safety, Joint Special Operations Task Force II, San Vito AB, Italy
10. January 2000–December 2000, Life Support Officer, 48th Flying Training Squadron, Columbus AFB, Miss.
11. December 2000–August 2013, KC-135R Instructor/Evaluator/Flight Commander/Chief Pilot, 18th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
12. August 2013–April 2016, Commander, 931st Operations Support Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
13. April 2016–June 2017, Vice Commander, 932d Airlift Wing, Scott AFB, Ill.
14. June 2017–October 2017, Commander, 932d Airlift Wing, Scott AFB, Ill.
15. October 2017–Present, Vice Commander, 932d Airlift Wing, Scott AFB, Ill.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight Hours: more than 5,000

Aircraft Flown: T-38, T-1, C-12, KC-135R/T, BE-300, BE-400, MD-82/83, B-737, B-757, B-767, C-40C

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1991

First Lieutenant May 29, 1993

Captain May 29, 1995

Major October 1, 2001

Lieutenant Colonel October 1, 2009

Colonel March 1, 2016

(Current as of October 2017)