



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL KEVIN A. DAVIDSON

Col. Kevin A. Davidson is the Commander of the 47th Flying Training Wing, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas. The wing consists of 12171217 2,800 personnel conducting specialized undergraduate pilot training for more than 500 United States Air Force and allied student pilots each year. The wing operates 195 aircraft, consisting of the T-1A, T-6A and T-38C, and flies more than 66,000 hours and more than 44,000 sorties per year.

Col. Davidson earned his commission as a Distinguished Graduate through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Arizona in 1998. Following Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi, he attended T-37 Pilot Instructor Training at Randolph AFB, Texas, and initial A-10 training at Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona. As an A-10 pilot, he deployed and led combat sorties during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Following his A-10 assignments, Col. Davidson served as a Regional Affairs Strategist, Aide de Camp and Liaison Officer to the commander of the Republic of Korea Air Force Operations Command and 7th Air Force Commander, Osan AB, Korea. Following this assignment, Col. Davidson served as the Chief of Contingency Operations Branch and subsequently as Director of the Commander's Action



Group, Head Quarters Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. The colonel is a Distinguished Graduate of ROKAF's Joint Command and Staff Course, and U.S. Army War College. He is a command pilot with more than 2,800 flight hours, including more than 450 combat hours. Prior to his current position, the colonel was the Vice Commander, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

### EDUCATION

1998 B.S. in Materials Science and Engineering, University of Arizona, Tucson

2005 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2007 Masters of Education in Adult Instruction and Curriculum, University of Phoenix, Ariz.

2011 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2011 Basic Korean Course, Defense Language Institute, Monterey, Calif.

2012 Korean Language Course, Hannam University, Daejeon, South Korea

2012 Republic of Korea Joint Military University, Command and Staff College, Distinguished Graduate, Daejeon, South Korea

2015 Joint Foreign Affairs Officer Phase II, Elliot School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

2018 Master's Degree in Strategic Studies, US Army War College, Distinguished Graduate, Carlisle, Pa.

2019 Joint Foreign Affairs Officer Phase II, Elliot School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. February 1999 – June 1999, Mobility Officer, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.
2. July 1999 – July 2000, Student, Specialized Upgrade Pilot Training, 37th Flying Training Squadron, Columbus AFB, Miss.
3. August 2000 – January 2001, Student, Pilot Instructor Training, Randolph AFB, Texas
4. February 2001 – July 2002, T-37 Instructor Pilot/Sq Executive Officer, 37th FTS, Columbus AFB, Miss.
5. August 2002 – September 2003, Assistant Flight Commander/Flight Evaluator, 37th FTS, Columbus AFB, Miss.
6. October 2003 – October 2004, Student, A-10 Upgrade Training, 357th FTS, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
7. November 2004 – November 2005, Pilot/Life Support Officer, 25th Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, South Korea
8. December 2005 – February 2006, Pilot/Chief of Standards and Evaluations, 75th SF, Pope AFB, N.C.
9. March 2006 – June 2007, Flight Commander, 75th FS, Pope AFB, N.C.
10. July 2007 – June 2008, Assistant Director of Operations, 75th FS, Moody AFB, Ga.
11. July 2008 – March 2009, Director of Staff, 23th Operations Group, Moody AFB, Ga.
12. April 2009 – March 2010, Flight Commander, Aircrew Flight Equipment, 23rd Operation Support Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
13. April 2010 – July 2011, Student, Korean Department, Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
14. August 2011 – January 2013, Student, Republic of Korea Joint Military University, Daejeon, South Korea
15. January 2013 – May 2014, Aide de Camp and Liaison Officer to the Commander, ROKAF Operations Command, Osan AB, South Korea
16. May 2014 – May 2015, Director of Operations, 557th Flying Training Squadron, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
17. May 2015 – April 2017, Commander, 557th Flying Training Squadron, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
18. July 2017 – June 2018, Student, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
19. July 2018 – June 2019, Chief, Contingency Operations Branch, HQ PACAF A3/6, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
20. June 2019 – July 2020, Director Commander's Action Group, HQ PACAF, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
21. July 2020 – June 2021, Chief Operations Support Division, PACAF, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
22. June 2021 – July 2022, Vice Commander, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan AB, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
23. July 2022 – Present, Commander, 47th Flying Training Wing, Laughlin AFB, Texas

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,800 including over 450 combat hours

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38C, A-10A, A-10C, T-53, T-41, C-130J, E-11A

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Combat Action Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant Feb. 12, 1999

First Lieutenant Feb. 12, 2001

Captain Feb. 12, 2003

Major Aug. 1, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel Feb. 1, 2014

Colonel April 1, 2020

**(CURRENT AS OF JULY 2022)**