



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

REGGIE CHRISTIANSON

Reggie Christianson is the Deputy Director of the Community Initiatives Team, Luke Air Force Base, AZ. He is responsible for fostering relationships with community elected officials and civic leaders to ensure encroachment issues do not affect flying operations. He ensures flight sustainability of America's premier fighter aircraft through managed growth surrounding Luke Air Force Base and is responsible for protecting terminal airspace in the Phoenix West Valley. This airspace encompasses 8,000 cubic miles surrounding Luke and includes 20 private airstrips and 7 public airfields. He engages with eleven municipalities, Maricopa County, and State to ensure the base coexists with its neighbors.

Mr. Christianson enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1988 and earned his commission through South Dakota State University, Reserve Officer Training Corps in 1996. He has served twice as a squadron commander, a squadron operations officer and in numerous flight commander positions. He has also performed duties as a protocol and executive officer to general officers. His staff experience include tours at United States Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein AB, GE and Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington DC.

Reggie retired in August 2018 where his career culminated as the Deputy Maintenance Group Commander at Luke AFB, AZ. In this position, he lead over 2,000 personnel in the largest fighter maintenance group in the Air Force, was intimately involved in all areas of the F-16 and F-35 maintenance operations and issues involving the overall mission of the base. This coupled with his time living on the west side of Phoenix make him uniquely qualified to address issues surrounding the base and the community in regard to airspace, land growth, development and their compatible coexistence.



EDUCATION

1988 Aircraft Maintenance Specialist Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas

1996 Bachelor's in general studies; South Dakota State University, Brookings, S.D.

2002 Master's in human resource management; Troy State University, Troy, Ala.

2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2006 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2010 Master's in Military Operational Arts and Science; Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2012 Air War College, by correspondence

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. Aug 1988 – Aug 1992, C-130 Crew Chief, 41st Airlift Squadron, Pope AFB, N.C.
2. Mar 1993 – Nov 1994, Cobra Crew Chief, 147th Aviation, Co. F, St. Paul, MN.
3. Nov 1994 – Jan 1997, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp. Det 780, Brookings, S.D.
4. Jan 1997 – Mar 1998, Commander, Sortie Generation Flight, 39th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, TX
5. Mar 1998 – Oct 1998, Commander, Specialist Flight, 39th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, TX
6. Oct 1998 – Feb 1999, Commander, Sortie Support Flight, 39th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, TX
7. Feb 1999 – Aug 1999, Commander, Maintenance Flight, 317th Maintenance Squadron, Dyess AFB, TX
8. Aug 1999 – Mar 2001, Wing Protocol Officer, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall AFB, FL
9. Mar 2001 – Apr 2002, Commander, Sortie Support Flight, 1st Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, FL
10. Apr 2002 – Sep 2002, Squadron Maintenance Officer, 310th Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
11. Sep 2002 – Jan 2004, Officer in Charge, 310th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, 756th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
12. Jan 2004 – Nov 2004, Commander, Accessories Flight, 56th Component Maintenance Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
13. Nov 2004 – Jun 2005, Asst. Maintenance Operations Flight Officer, 56th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
14. Jun 2005 – Aug 2007, Chief, Aircraft Maintenance Plans, Policy and Programs Branch, Ramstein AB, Germany
15. Aug 2007 – Jul 2008, Executive Officer to the USAFE Director of Logistics, Installations & Mission Support, Ramstein AB, Germany
16. Jul 2008 – Jul 2009, Commander, 100th Maintenance Operations Squadron, RAF, Mildenhall, United Kingdom
17. Jul 2009 – Jun 2010, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
18. Jun 2010 – Jul 2012, Commander, 362d Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, TX
19. Jul 2012 – Jul 2014, Chief, 21A Education & Training, Pentagon, Washington, DC
20. Jul 2014 – Jul 2016, Chief, Colonel Logistics Assignments, Pentagon, Washington, DC
21. Jul 2016 – Aug 2018, Deputy Commander, 56th Maintenance Group, Luke AFB, AZ
22. Aug 2018 – Apr 2018, United States Air Force Retired, Goodyear, AZ
23. Apr 2018 – Aug 2020, Strategic Planning Mgr, Community Initiatives Team, Luke AFB, AZ
24. Aug 2020 – Present, Deputy Director, Community Initiatives Team, Luke AFB, AZ

AWARDS AND HONORS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with eight oak leaf clusters
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with one oak leaf cluster
National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
Southwest Asia Service Medal with two bronze stars
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with gold boarder
Kuwait Liberation Medal SA
Kuwait Liberation Medal Kuwait
Maintenance Effectiveness Award, US Air Forces in Europe best small unit

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

1994 – Present, American Legion
1996 – Present, Military Officers Association of America
(Current as of Mar '22)