



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL DIRK O. STEWART

Lt Col Dirk Stewart is the Commander, Detachment 12, Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He is directly responsible to the Commandant, Officer Training School for the initial officer training of approximately 1,500 newly commissioned officers annually.

Lt Col Stewart was commissioned through Reserve Officer Training Corp in 2001 from Washington State University and earned his wings at Vance AFB, Oklahoma. He served in the Active Duty Air Force for 12 years as a KC-135 and MQ-1 pilot, flying combat missions in Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM. He joined the Ohio Air National Guard in 2012 and continued to fly combat missions in the MQ-1. Prior to his current position, Lt Col Stewart served as the Chief of Safety at 1st Air Force (Air Forces Northern) and Continental U.S. North American Aerospace Defense Command Region.



EDUCATION

2001 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Washington State University.

2006 U.S Air Force Joint Firepower Course (Distinguished Graduate), Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

2007 Flight Safety Officer School, Kirtland AFB, N.M.

2008 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2008 Master of Business Administration, Trident University, Calif.

2015 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2016 U.S. Air Force Accident/Safety Board President Course, Kirtland AFB, N.M.

2016 U.S. Air Force Chief of Safety Courses, Kirtland AFB, N.M.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. December 2001 – January 2003, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance Air Force Base, Okla.

2. February 2003 – May 2003, Student, KC-135 Initial Qualification Course, Altus AFB, Okla.

3. June 2003 – May 2006, Aircraft Commander, Assistant Flight Commander, RAF Mildenhall, England

4. June 2006 – February 2008, RPA Pilot, Squadron Safety Officer, Nellis AFB, Nev.

5. March 2008 – September 2009, RPA Instructor Pilot, Chief of Wing Flight Safety, Cannon AFB, N.M.

6. October 2009 – September 2012, RPA FTU Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, Assistant Director of Operations, Holloman AFB, N.M.

7. October 2012 – June 2014, RPA Instructor Pilot, Air National Guard RPA Squadron Operations Center Configuration Council (ARSOC3) Chairman, Springfield Air National Guard Base, Ohio

8. July 2014 – May 2015, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

9. June 2015 – August 2016, Executive Officer to the Executive Director, Air National Guard, the Pentagon, Washington,

10. September 2016 – May 2019, 1st Air Force Chief of Safety, KC-135 Pilot, Tyndall AFB, Fla.

11. June 2019 – Present, Commander, Detachment 12, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,900

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-1, MQ-1, KC-135

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with 14 oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Humanitarian Service Medal

NATO with bronze service star

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 30, 2001

First Lieutenant May 30, 2003

Captain May 30, 2005

Major June 1, 2011

Lieutenant Colonel May 1, 2017

(Current as of May 2019)