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BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

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COLONEL DONALD E. BEERS

Colonel Donald E. Beers is the mobilization assistant to the commander, Air Force Officer Accessions and Training Schools (AFOATS), Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. In this capacity, he is responsible for supporting the commander in management of the Air Force's major accession programs, Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and Officer Training School (OTS).

The colonel was commissioned in 1968 following graduation from The Citadel. Following a five year tour on active duty, he joined the 315th Military Airlift Wing (Associate) in Charleston Air Force Base, S.C. and pursued a career as a school administrator. Colonel Beers served as a public school teacher, principal, deputy superintendent, superintendent, and association executive before retiring in 1996. He returned to active duty in April 1996 on a statutory tour. In February 1999, Colonel Beers joined AFOATS.



EDUCATION:

- 1967 Bachelor of arts degree in history, The Citadel, Charleston, S.C.
- 1975 Masters degree in history, The Citadel, Charleston, S.C.
- 1980 Doctorate of Education, educational administration, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
- 1984 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1995 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. January 1969 - December 1969, student, navigator training, Mather Air Force Base, Calif.
2. December 1969 - July 1971, squadron navigator, HC-130H, 54th Air Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Pease Air Force Base, N.H.
3. July 1971 - April 1972, squadron navigator, HC130H, 79th Air Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam
4. April 1972 - June 1973, squadron navigator, 54th Weather Recon Squadron, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam
5. July 1973 - July 1986, squadron navigator, 707th Airlift Squadron, Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.
6. July 1986 - December 1992, chief navigator, 315th Military Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.
7. December 1992 - April 1995, commander, 315th Operations Support Flight, Charleston Air Force

Base, S.C.

8. April 1995 - April 1996, assistant operations group commander for quality, 315th Military Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.

9. April 1996 – February 1999, assistant for Reserve affairs, Headquarters Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

10. February 1999 – present, mobilization assistant to the commander, Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command navigator (flying experience in 4 aircraft weapons systems.)

Flight hours: More than 3,500

Primary aircraft flown: T-29, HC130-H, C130-E, C141-A, C141-B

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	Dec 20, 1968
First Lieutenant	Jun 20, 1970
Captain	Dec 20, 1971
Major	Dec 20, 1978
Lieutenant Colonel	Dec 20, 1989
Colonel	Apr 1, 1996

(Current as of July 2000)