



BIOGRAPHY

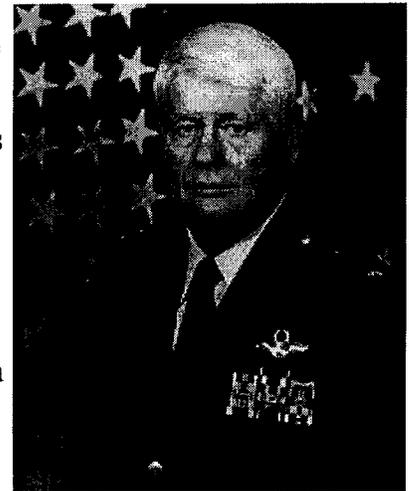
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MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT A. NESTER

Major General Robert A. Nester is mobilization assistant to the chief, Air Force Reserve, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C. He serves as principal adviser for the individual mobilization augmentee program supporting more than 12,000 Air Force Reservists. He chairs the individual mobilization augmentee allocation team which allocates funding for this program throughout the Air Force.



The general was born in Speedway, Ind. He earned his commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program in 1963. As a career fighter and instructor pilot, he flew 183 combat missions in Southeast Asia. He has commanded a squadron, and served as vice commander of a wing and a numbered Air Force. He is employed with the Federal Aviation Agency as an Aviation Safety Inspector.

EDUCATION:

- 1963 Bachelor of science degree in aeronautics, Parks Aeronautical College, Mo.
- 1979 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1983 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1987 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. March 1964 - March 1965, student pilot, 64th Flying Training Wing, Reese Air Force Base, Texas
2. May 1965 - November 1965, student, F-4 Phantom upgrade training, Davis Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.
3. November 1965 - November 1966, F-4 pilot, 4th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.
4. November 1966 - September 1967, F-4 pilot, 559th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Cam Rahn Air Base, South Vietnam
5. September 1967 - February 1971, instructor pilot, 3501st Flying Training Squadron, Reese Air Force Base, Texas
6. February 1971 - August 1982, A-37 and A-10 pilot, 72nd Special Operations Squadron, Grissom Air Force Base, Ind.

7. August 1982 - December 1984, deputy commander for operations, 906th Tactical Fighter Group, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
8. December 1984 - April 1987, director of training, 434th Tactical Fighter Group, Grissom Air Force Base, Ind.
9. April 1987 - November 1988, commander, 45th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Grissom Air Force Base, Ind.
10. December 1988 - June 1990, vice commander, 442nd Tactical Fighter Wing, Richards Gebaur Air Force Base, Mo.
11. June 1990 - August 1992, vice commander, 10th Air Force, Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas
12. August 1992 - April 1994, mobilization assistant to the commander, 9th Air Force and U.S. Central Command Air Forces, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.
13. May 1994 - September 1994, mobilization assistant to the vice commander, Air Force Reserve, Robins Air Force Base, Ga
14. September 1994 - present, mobilization assistant to the chief, Air Force Reserve, Washington, D.C.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command pilot
 Flight hours: More than 5,300
 Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-4, A-10 and KC-10

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit
 Distinguished Flying Cross
 Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
 Air Medal with 13 oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	Jul 23, 1963
First Lieutenant	Jul 23, 1965
Captain	Feb 2, 1971
Major	May 21, 1976
Lieutenant Colonel	Jul 23, 1984
Colonel	Jun 1, 1988
Brigadier General	Aug 12, 1992
Major General	Apr 3, 1995

(Current as of June 1999)