



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL KENNETH B. HERNDON

Colonel Kenneth B. Herndon is the Commander of the 36th Mission Support Group, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, which provides essential mission support to the largest air base in PACAF, including 9,000 military, civilian, dependent and retired personnel. The group controls all base support operations encompassing engineering, communications and information, contracting, logistics readiness, security forces and force support, which includes manpower, personnel and legacy services functions and operational responsibilities for 36th Wing assets in Diego Garcia.

Colonel Herndon was commissioned through ROTC in 1995, upon graduation from The Citadel. He has served in a variety of base-level, RED HORSE, Numbered Air Force, Major Command and Headquarters Air Force Civil Engineer assignments in garrison and deployed. His deployments include Iraq, AFCENT, Kyrgyzstan, Paraguay, Korea, Italy, Haiti, and Saudi Arabia.

Colonel Herndon and his wife, Ashley, have two children, Cooper and Kenley.



EDUCATION:

- 1995 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, The Citadel, Charleston, SC
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2004 Master of Business Administration, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
- 2006 Air Command and Staff College, (Correspondence)
- 2014 Air War College, (Correspondence)

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 1995-May 1998, Chief, Heavy Repair, 37th Civil Engineer Squadron, Lackland AFB, TX
2. May 1998-October 2001, Project Engineer, 823rd RED HORSE Squadron, Hurlburt Field, FL
3. November 2001-July 2003, Readiness Program Manager, 628th Civil Engineer Flight, Dobbins Air Reserve Base, GA
4. August 2003-May 2005, Maintenance Engineering Flight Commander, 78th Civil Engineer Squadron, Robins AFB, GA.
5. May 2005-May 2006, Chief of Readiness, 7th Air Force A7, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
6. May 2006-July 2009, Operations Flight Commander, 354th Civil Engineer Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK
7. July 2009-July 2011, Chief, Facility Requirements and Execution Branch, Installations and Mission Support Directorate, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, VA
8. July 2011-April 2013, Chief, Expeditionary Engineering Branch, Office of the Civil Engineer, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington, DC
9. May 2013-June 2015, Commander, 56th Civil Engineer Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
10. July 2015-July 2017, Commander, 366th Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, TX
11. July 2017-June 2018, Commander, 820th RED HORSE Squadron, Nellis AFB, NV
12. June 2018-June 2019, Commander, 332d Expeditionary Mission Support Group, Southwest Asia
13. July 2019-June 2021, Chief, International Affairs Division, HQ USAFE-AFAFRICA, Ramstein AB, Germany
14. June 2021-present, Commander, 36th Mission Support Group, Andersen AFB, Guam

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with nine oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Army Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 31 May 1995

First Lieutenant 31 May 1997

Captain 31 May 1999

Major 1 March 2006

Lieutenant Colonel 1 February 2011

Colonel 1 June 2017

(Current as of 30 June 2021)