



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL JON L. SHUMATE

Col. Jon L. Shumate is the Vice Commander, 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, where he is responsible for organizing, training and equipping six groups and 30 squadrons executing worldwide intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; electronic attack; command and control; and treaty verification missions. He is also responsible for base support to more than 50 associate units, including U.S. Strategic Command, 557th Weather Wing and more than 57,000 active-duty members, civilians, family members and retirees in the Offutt area.

Colonel Shumate entered active duty in 1997, upon graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy. Following completion of an Air Force Institute of Technology-sponsored Master's degree, he graduated from Pilot training in July 1999 from Vance AFB, Oklahoma. From there, he was assigned to the 41st Electronic Combat Squadron, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, flying the EC-130. After upgrading to instructor pilot, Colonel Shumate transitioned to Waco, Texas, where he became a program engineer and pilot for the 661st Aeronautical Systems Squadron (Big Safari) in 2003. In 2007, he was selected to command the Big Safari Operating Location (OL) in Denver, Colorado, where he focused on delivering warfighting aircraft to Air Force Special Operations Command. In 2010, Colonel Shumate was assigned to Headquarters Air Combat Command, where he had duties as a Program Element



Monitor for the MC-12 and MQ-1. Returning to the operations community, he was assigned to Davis-Monthan AFB in 2012, where he held multiple positions, culminating in Command of the 455th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. Following command, Colonel Shumate gained his joint experience on the staff at headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, where he served as a political-military officer, and executive officer to the director of policy, partnering, strategy and capabilities. Prior to his current position Colonel Shumate was Division Chief for Test and Training (A5T) at Air Combat Command in the Directorate of Plans, Programs & Requirements at Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.

Colonel Shumate is a command pilot with more than 3,500 hours in the T-3, T-37, T-1, EC-130, U-28, and RC-135.

EDUCATION

1997 Bachelor of Science in Physics, U.S. Air Force Academy

1998 Master of Engineering in Space Operations, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colo.

2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2015 Air War College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1999 - July 2003, Pilot, EC-130, 41st Electronic Combat Squadron, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

2. July 2003 - July 2007, Program Engineer and Pilot, 661st Aeronautical Systems Squadron, Waco, Texas

3. July 2007 - July 2010, Commander, 661st Aeronautical Systems Squadron Operating Location, Denver, Colo.

4. July 2010 - August 2012, MC-12 and MQ-1 Requirements Branch Chief, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.

5. August 2012 - February 2013, Assistant Director of Operations, 43rd Electronic Combat Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
6. February 2013 - March 2014, Director of Operations, 755th Operations Support Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
7. March 2014 - April 2015, Commander, 455th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, Bagram AB, Afghanistan
8. April 2015 - July 2015, Deputy Commander, 55th Electronic Combat Group, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
9. July 2015 - July 2016, Southeast Europe Desk Officer, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
10. July 2016 - May 2017, Southeast Europe Branch Chief, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
11. May 2017 - July 2018, Senior Executive Officer to the J5, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
12. July 2018 - July 2019, Chief, Test and Training Division, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
13. July 2019 - Present, Vice Commander, 55th Wing, Offutt AFB, Neb.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2015 – July 2018, Political Military Officer and Executive Officer to the director of policy, partnering, strategy and capabilities, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, as a lieutenant colonel

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 3,592 hours, including over 450 combat hours

Aircraft flown: T-3, T-37, T-1A, EC-130E/H/J, C-130 E/H/Z, U-28/PC-12, RC-135V/W

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 28, 1997

First Lieutenant May 28, 1999

Captain May 28, 2001

Major Nov 1, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel Mar 1, 2012

Colonel Aug 1, 2018

(Current as of June 2019)