



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT MICHAEL E. RAGER

Chief Master Sergeant Michael E. Rager is the Group Superintendent, 55th Operations Group, Offutt AFB NE. He advises the Group Commander on all enlisted utilization matters and identifies concerns that could affect the health, morale and welfare of more than a 2,000 strong enlisted force. He assists the commander in executing worldwide reconnaissance, command and control, presidential support and treaty verification missions directed by the President and Secretary of Defense, Joint Chiefs of Staff, unified commanders and national intelligence agencies. The group's 11 squadrons and two detachments operate six separate models of aircraft and is the largest operations group in the U.S. Air Force.

Chief Rager has amassed over 3,500 hours on various aircraft and has served as an instructor and evaluator on four distinct US Air Force Reconnaissance Platforms.

EDUCATION

1998 - Airman Leadership School, Offutt AFB NE
2002 - Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Lackland AFB TX
2007 - Associates of Applied Science Degree, Communications Application Technology, Maxwell AFB AL
2009 - Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy Maxwell AFB AL



ASSIGNMENTS

1. Mar 1992 - Jul 1995 -- Morse System Operator, 301st Intelligence Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
2. Jul 1995 - Aug 1998 -- Airborne Signals Analyst, 97th Intelligence Squadron, Offutt AFB NE
3. Aug 1998 - May 2000 -- Airborne Signals Analyst, 488th Intelligence Squadron RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom
4. May 2000 - Jan 2007 -- Flight Chief, Advance Signals Analysis, 97th Intelligence Squadron, Offutt AFB NE
5. Jan 2007 - Dec 2008 -- Superintendent, RC-135 Mission Requirements, 55th Wing, Offutt AFB NE
6. Dec 2008 - May 2011 -- Superintendent, Detachment 3, 544 ISR Group, Sugar Grove WV
7. May 2011 - Sep 2014 -- Operations Superintendent, 338th Combat Training Squadron, Offutt AFB NE
8. Sep 2014 - Feb 2016 -- Squadron Superintendent, 97th Intelligence Squadron, Offutt AFB NE
9. Feb 2016 - Present -- Group Superintendent, 55th Operations Group, Offutt AFB NE

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

OTHER ACHIEVMENTS

2012 - 55th Operations Group Lance P. Sijan Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant - February 1 2014

(Current as of July 2016)