



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL CLARK J. QUINN

Colonel Clark J. Quinn is commander of the 71st Flying Training Wing, Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma. He leads a wing of 2,700 personnel conducting specialized undergraduate pilot training for more than 300 U.S. Air Force and allied student pilots each year. The wing operates over 200 aircraft, flies more than 49,000 sorties annually and logs more than 71,000 flying hours each year.

Colonel Quinn graduated from the University of Florida in 1991 with a degree in aerospace engineering and received his commission in 1993 from Officer Training School. He is a command pilot and has flown combat in support of Operations SOUTHERN WATCH and UNIFIED PROTECTOR.

Prior to his current assignment, he was the vice commander of the 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. He has served as a wing Inspector General, commanded at the squadron level and has held staff positions on the Air Staff as a Branch Chief and Program Element Monitor. Additionally, he has served multiple tours in Southwest Asia at the 609th Combined Air and Space Operations Center in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM and NEW DAWN.



### EDUCATION

1991 Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL  
2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2006 Master of Business Administration, Touro University International  
2006 Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS  
2012 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1993 - February 1995, Space Test Engineer, Det 2 Space & Missile Systems Center, Onizuka AS, CA
2. February 1995 - September 1995, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Navigator Training, Randolph AFB, TX
3. September 1995 - August 1996, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Navigator Training, NAS Pensacola, FL
4. August 1996 - June 1998, Student, F-15E Formal Training Unit, 333d Fighter Squadron, later Weapons Systems Officer, 336th Fighter Squadron, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC
5. June 1998 - June 1999, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, TX
6. October 1999 - July 2000, Student, F-16 Formal Training Unit, 61st Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, AZ
7. July 2000 - July 2002, Assistant Chief of Weapons then Flight Commander, 78th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
8. August 2002 - August 2003, Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, 80th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
9. August 2003 - January 2006, Instructor Pilot, Assistant Director of Operations, 310th Fighter Squadron, later Evaluator Pilot, Assistant Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, 56th Operations Group, Luke AFB, AZ
10. January 2006 - December 2006, Student, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS

11. December 2006 - December 2007, F-22 Program Element Monitor, later Chief, Electronic Warfare Branch, Directorate of Global Power Programs, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, DC
12. December 2007 - December 2008, Chief, USCENTCOM Deputy Combined Forces Air Component Commander's Action Group, Southwest Asia
13. March 2009 - July 2011, Instructor Pilot, Assistant Director of Operations, 77th Fighter Squadron, later Commander, 20th Operations Support Squadron, later 20th Fighter Wing Inspector General, Shaw AFB, SC
14. July 2011 - May 2012, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
15. June 2012 - June 2013, Chief, Combat Plans Division, 609th Air and Space Operations Center, Southwest Asia
16. June 2013 - April 2014, Vice Commander, 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, SC
17. June 2014 - Present, Commander, 71st Flying Training Wing, Vance AFB, OK

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

December 2007 - December 2008, Chief, Deputy Combined Forces Air Component Commander's Action Group, Southwest Asia, as a Lieutenant Colonel

June 2012 - June 2013, Chief, Combat Plans Division, 609th Air and Space Operations Center, Southwest Asia, as a Lieutenant Colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,700

Aircraft flown: F-15E, F-16, T-38

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

Air Force Combat Action Medal

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS**

Second Lieutenant      March 31, 1993

First Lieutenant        March 31, 1995

Captain                  March 31, 1997

Major                     July 1, 2003

Lieutenant Colonel      September 1, 2007

Colonel                  August 1, 2013

(Current as of May 2015)