



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## GENERAL STEPHEN W. "SEVE" WILSON

Gen. Stephen W. "Seve" Wilson is Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va. As Vice Chief, he presides over the Air Staff and serves as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Requirements Oversight Council and Deputy Advisory Working Group. He assists the Chief of Staff with organizing, training, and equipping of 685,000 active-duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian forces serving in the United States and overseas.

Gen. Wilson received his commission from Texas A&M University in 1981. He's had multiple flying tours, and led bomber, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, mobility, aeromedical evacuation and airborne command and control operations supporting operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom and Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa. General Wilson has also held numerous command positions, including the Joint Functional Component Commander for Global Strike and Air Force Global Strike Command.

General Wilson is a command pilot with more than 4,500 flying hours and 680 combat hours. Prior to his current assignment, the general was Deputy Commander, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska.



### EDUCATION

1981 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, Texas A&M University, College Station

1985 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1989 Master of Science degree, Engineering Management, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

1993 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1997 U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.

2000 Master's degree in strategic studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2005 Leadership for a Democratic Society, Federal Executive Institute, Charlottesville, Va.

2007 Joint Force Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2009 Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2010 Leadership Decision Making Program, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

2013 Pinnacle Course, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1981 - May 1982, student, undergraduate pilot training, Laughlin AFB, Texas

2. May 1982 - September 1986, T-38 Instructor Pilot, evaluator pilot and flight commander, 86th Flying Training Squadron, Laughlin AFB, Texas

3. September 1986 - May 1987, B-1 student, 338th Combat Training Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas

4. May 1987 - July 1991, B-1 Instructor Pilot and Flight Commander, 77th Bomb Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.

5. July 1991 - July 1992, Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 28th Operations Support Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
6. July 1992 - July 1993, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
7. July 1993 - September 1995, Joint Staff Officer, Doctrine, Concepts and Initiatives Division, Plans and Policy (J5), Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
8. September 1995 - June 1997, Chief of Safety, 28th Bomb Wing, later, operations officer, 37th Bomb Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
9. June 1997 - June 1999, Commander, B-1 Division, and Instructor Pilot, Weapons Instructor Course, USAF Weapons School, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
10. August 1999 - June 2000, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
11. June 2000 - June 2002, Deputy Commander, 366th Operations Group, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
12. July 2002 - March 2004, Commander, 608th Air Operations Group, Barksdale AFB, La.
13. March 2004 - June 2006, Commander, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, Miss.
14. June 2006 - July 2007, Deputy Director of Air, Space and Information Operations (A2/3), Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, Texas
15. July 2007 - July 2009, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
16. July 2009 - July 2010, Commander, 379th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
17. July 2010 - June 2011, Director for Joint Integration, Directorate of Operational Capability Requirements, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Plans and Requirements, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. June 2011 - October 2013, Commander, Eighth Air Force (Air Forces Strategic), Barksdale AFB, La., and Joint Functional Component Commander for Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.
19. October 2013 - July 2015, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale AFB, La.
20. July 2015 - July 2016, Deputy Commander, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.
21. July 2016 - present, Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. July 1993 - September 1995, Joint Staff officer, Doctrine, Concepts and Initiatives Division, Plans and Policy (J5), Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, as a major
2. July 2007 - July 2009, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, as a colonel and brigadier general
3. June 2011 - October 2013, Joint Functional Component Commander for Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb., as a brigadier general and major general
4. July 2015 - July 2016, Deputy Commander, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt, AFB, Neb., as a lieutenant general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,600, and 680 combat hours

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, B-1 and B-52

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

Distinguished Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant June 2, 1981

First Lieutenant June 2, 1983

Captain June 2, 1985

Major June 1, 1993

Lieutenant Colonel Jan. 1, 1997

Colonel June 1, 2002

Brigadier General Dec. 3, 2007

Major General Sept. 1, 2011

Lieutenant General Oct. 23, 2013

General July 22, 2016

(Current as of July 2016)

