



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND

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General William M. Fraser III

Gen. William M. Fraser III is commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill. USTRANSCOM is the single manager for global air, land and sea transportation for the Department of Defense.

General Fraser entered the Air Force in 1974 as a distinguished graduate of the Texas A&M University ROTC program. His operational assignments include duty as a T-37, B-52, B-1, and B-2 instructor pilot and evaluator. General Fraser has commanded an operations group, two bomb wings and a major command. His staff duties include tours on the Air Staff, Joint Staff, and Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb. He has also served as chief of staff for U.S. Strategic Command, as the Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the 34th Vice Chief of Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

General Fraser has extensive wartime, contingency, and humanitarian relief operational experience. During Operation Enduring Freedom he led an intelligence fusion organization that provided direct support to the warfighter.

Prior to assuming his current position, General Fraser was the commander, Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va., and Air Component Commander for U.S. Joint Forces Command, where he led over 130,000 Total Force Airmen.

EDUCATION

- 1974 Bachelor of science degree in engineering technology, Texas A&M University
- 1977 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1980 Master of science degree in management information systems, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley
- 1983 Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Va.
- 1985 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 1987 National Security Management Course, Syracuse University, N.Y.
- 1991 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1995 Executive Development Program, Johnson Graduate School of Mgmt., Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
- 1999 Combined Force Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1999 Senior Information Warfare Applications Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2000 National Security Leadership Course, National Security Studies, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, N.Y.
- 2002 Executive Program for Russian and U.S. General Officers, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2002 Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.



2002 Senior Intelligence Fellows Program, Wye River, Md.
2003 Program for Senior Executives in National and International Security, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
2005 Leadership at the Peak, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1974 - October 1975, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams Air Force Base, Ariz.
2. October 1975 - March 1976, student, instructor pilot training, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
3. March 1976 - February 1978, T-37 instructor pilot and T-37 check pilot, 96th Flying Training Squadron, Williams Air Force Base, Ariz.
4. March 1978 - March 1980, T-37 instructor pilot and flight examiner, 82nd Flying Training Wing, Williams Air Force Base, Ariz.
5. March 1980 - October 1980, Operational Support Aircraft Program Element Monitor, Air Staff Training Program, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
6. October 1980 - April 1981, Worldwide Military Command, Control and Communications Program Element Monitor, Air Staff Training Program, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
7. May 1981 - October 1981, B-52H student, 4017th Combat Crew Training Sq., Castle Air Force Base, Calif.
8. October 1981 - March 1983, B-52H aircraft commander, later B-52G aircraft commander and instructor pilot, 46th Bomb Squadron, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
9. March 1983 - December 1984, chief, B-52G Standardization and Evaluation Branch, 319th Bomb Wing, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
10. January 1985 - June 1985, student, Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
11. June 1985 - March 1986, chief, European Single Integrated Operational Plan Tactics, Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
12. April 1986 - October 1987, executive officer to the Strategic Air Command Chief of Staff, Headquarters SAC, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
13. October 1987 - July 1990, chief, Nuclear Requirements Cell, SHAPE, Mons, Belgium
14. July 1990 - July 1991, student, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
15. July 1991 - July 1993, deputy commander, 384th Operations Group, McConnell Air Force Base, Kan.
16. July 1993 - January 1995, commander, 509th Operations Group, Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.
17. January 1995 - August 1995, vice commander, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.
18. August 1995 - January 1997, special assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, SHAPE, Mons, Belgium
19. February 1997 - May 1998, commander, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D.
20. May 1998 - May 1999, chief of staff, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
21. May 1999 - December 2000, commander, 2nd Bomb Wing, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.
22. December 2000 - December 2002, deputy director for National Systems Operations, the Joint Staff; Director, Defense Space Reconnaissance Program; and deputy director for Military Support, National Reconnaissance Office, Washington, D.C.
23. January 2003 - October 2004, director of Operations, Headquarters AETC, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
24. November 2004 - February 2005, special assistant to the Commander, Air Force Command and Control, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Center, deputy chief of staff for Warfighting Integration, Langley Air Force Base, Va.
25. February 2005 - May 2006, vice commander, Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va.
26. May 2006 - October 2008, Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C.
27. October 2008 - September 2009, vice chief of staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
28. September 2009 - September 2011, commander, Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va., and Air Component Commander for U.S. Joint Forces Command
29. October 2011 - Present, commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1985 - March 1986, Chief, European Single Integrated Operational Plan Tactics, Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., as a major
2. October 1987 - July 1990, Chief, Nuclear Requirements Cell, SHAPE, Mons, Belgium, as a lieutenant colonel
3. August 1995 - January 1997, special assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, SHAPE, Mons, Belgium, as a colonel

4. May 1998 - May 1999, Chief of Staff, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., as a colonel
5. December 2000 - December 2002, Deputy Director for National Systems Operations, the Joint Staff; Director, Defense Space Reconnaissance Program; and Deputy Director for Military Support, National Reconnaissance Office, Washington, D.C., as a brigadier general
6. May 2006 - October 2008, Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant general
7. October 2011 - Present, commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill., as a general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,200

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, T-1, KC-135R, B-1B, B-2, B-52G/H and C-21

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Distinguished Service Medal

Distinguished Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

National Intelligence Medal of Achievement

Secretary's Distinguished Service Award, Department of State

Combat Readiness Medal

National Defense Service Medal with bronze star

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Officer training award, undergraduate pilot training

Top graduate, T-37 pilot instructor training

T-37 Instructor Pilot of the Year

Distinguished graduate, B-52 G/H combat crew training

Air Force Public Affairs Directors Special Achievement Award for commander support

Joseph A. Moller Award, Outstanding Wing Commander, Air Combat Command

Gold Medal, National Reconnaissance Office

Honorary Tuskegee Airman

Order of the Sword, Air Combat Command

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Nov. 8, 1974

First Lieutenant Nov. 8, 1976

Captain Nov. 8, 1978

Major Oct. 1, 1983

Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 1988

Colonel Jan. 1, 1992

Brigadier General Jan. 1, 2000

Major General Oct. 1, 2003

Lieutenant General Feb. 3, 2005

General Oct. 8, 2008

(Current as of November 2011)