



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL DANIEL S. YENCHESKY

Colonel Daniel S. Yenchesky serves as the 128th Air Refueling Wing Vice Commander. He is responsible for over 900 personnel assigned to the Wing who support the worldwide mission and enable the combat employment of the unit's twelve KC-135 Stratotankers.

Colonel Yenchesky graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1990 with a degree in economics. He has previously served as Commander of the 126th Air Refueling Squadron, Milwaukee Wisconsin, Commander of the 90th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, Air Operations Officer of the 128th Operations Group, and Commander of the 128th Maintenance Group. In 2011, he commanded the 313th Expeditionary Operations Group during Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR.

He is a Command Pilot with more than 4,000 flying hours, primarily in the KC-135R Stratotanker. He is a veteran of over 150 combat and combat support sorties in Libya, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Former Republic of Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the Horn of Africa.



EDUCATION

- 1990 Bachelor of Science degree in economics U.S. Air Force Academy, CO
- 1993 Air Base Ground Defense Command Course (Ground Combat Level IV), Ft Dix, NJ
- 1994 Master's Degree in Aeronautical Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Spokane, WA
- 1996 Squadron Officer School (Correspondence and Residence), Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 1998 USAF Advanced Instrument School, San Antonio, TX
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College (Correspondence)
- 2006 Advanced Air Mobility Operations Course (Air Mobility Warfare Center), Ft Dix, NJ
- 2008 Air War College (Correspondence)
- 2012 Director of Mobility Forces (DIRMOBFOR) Course, Eglin AFB, FL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1990– April 1991, T-37 Pilot Training, 98th Flying Training Squadron, Williams AFB, AZ
2. April 1991–October 1991, T-38 Pilot Training, 97th Flying Training Squadron, Williams AFB, AZ
3. November 1991–July 1994, Strategic Air Command Flight Leader, 92nd Security Police Squadron, Fairchild AFB, WA
4. July 1994–November 1994, T-1A Jayhawk Requalification Pilot, Reese AFB, TX
5. November 1994–March 1997, KC-135 R/T Pilot, 384th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS
6. November 1996–March 1997, KC-135 R/T Navigation Systems Officer (NSO), 384th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS
7. March 1997–June 1998, KC-135 R/T Aircraft Commander, 384th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS
8. July 1998–June 1999, KC-135R Training Flight Instructor Pilot, 351st Air Refueling Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, UK
9. June 1999–November 2000, Chief, Wing Scheduling and Current Operations, 100th Operations Support Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, UK

10. November 2000-June 2001, PACER CRAG Conversion Flight Commander, 351th Air Refueling Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, UK
11. June 2001-July 2007, Chief, Wing Scheduling/Current Ops/KC-135 IP, 128th Operations Group, Milwaukee, WI
12. July 2007-June 2009, Chief, Stan/Eval, KC-135 Evaluator Pilot, 128th Operations Group, Milwaukee, WI
13. June 2009-February 2011, Commander, 126th Air Refueling Squadron, Milwaukee, WI
14. July 2009-September 2009, Commander, 90th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, Incirlik AB, Turkey
15. June 2009-February 2011 Air Operations Officer, 128th Operations Group, Milwaukee, WI
16. June 2011-October 2011, Commander 313th Expeditionary Operations Group (KC-10/KC-135), Morón AB, Spain
17. February 2011-December 2012, Commander, 128th Maintenance Group, Milwaukee, WI
18. December 2012-present, Vice Commander, 128th Air Refueling Wing, Milwaukee, WI

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Ratings:	Command Pilot Basic Parachutist
Flight hours:	More than 4,000
Aircraft flown:	KC-135R/T, T-1, T-38 and T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster
 Aerial Achievement Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters
 Air Force Achievement Medal
 Meritorious Unit Award with three Oak Leaf Clusters
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor, four Oak Leaf Clusters
 Combat Readiness Medal, six Oak Leaf Clusters
 National Defense Service Medal with Campaign Star
 Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Campaign Star
 Southwest Asia Service Medal with Campaign Star
 Global War on Terrorism Campaign Medal
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
 Humanitarian Service Medal
 Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short with Oak Leaf Cluster
 Air Force Overseas Ribbon Long
 Air Force Expeditionary Service Medal with Gold Border
 Air Force Longevity Service with three Oak Leaf Clusters
 Armed Forces Reserve Medal with three "M" Devices
 Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Pistol)
 Air Force Training Ribbon
 NATO Medal (Kosovo)
 NATO Medal (Libya)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	May 30, 1990
First Lieutenant	May 30, 1992
Captain	May 30, 1994
Major	June 1, 2001
Lieutenant Colonel	March 9, 2006
Colonel	March 2, 2011