



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT TODD A. DONALDSON

CMSgt Todd A. Donaldson is the Command Chief for the 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. The 515 AMOW provides forward-deployed mobility command and control, aerial port operations, and en route aircraft maintenance support to Department of Defense organic and contracted commercial aircraft executing airlift, air refueling, and aeromedical evacuation missions throughout the Pacific theater. He serves as the Senior Enlisted Advisor responsible to the Commander for the morale and welfare of approximately 2,000 U.S. military, civilian, and local national personnel assigned from two Air Mobility Operations Groups, six geographically separated squadrons, three detachments, six operating locations, and eleven air terminals spanning from Alaska to Diego Garcia.

Chief Donaldson grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and is a graduate of Mililani High School, Hawaii. He entered the Air Force in December 1988. His background includes positions in Civil Engineering, Operations, Contingency Response, and the Inspector General. The chief has deployed in support of numerous contingencies to include Operations PROVIDE COMFORT, PROVIDE RELIEF, RESTORE HOPE, UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, PROVIDE PROMISE, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. As a chief enlisted aviator with over 4,300 flying hours, he has held qualifications on C-141B, C-5A/B/C, and C-130H/P/N aircraft supporting airland, airdrop, combat rescue, humanitarian, Antarctic, NASA, and nuclear airlift operations. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the Superintendent, 58th Operations Group and Interim Command Chief, 58th Special Operations Wing, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico.



EDUCATION

- 1993 Airman Leadership School, Travis AFB, CA.
- 2001 Global Reach Laydown II Course, HQ AMC, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Ft. Dix, NJ.
- 2001 AMC Command and Control Course, HQ AMC, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Ft Dix, NJ.
- 2003 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Lackland AFB, TX.
- 2003 Middle East Orientation Course, U.S. Air Force Special Operations School, Hurlburt Field, FL.
- 2005 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Course 12, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 2005 USAF Additional Duty First Sergeant's Course, Travis AFB, CA.
- 2007 Associate in Applied Science Degree, Aviation Operations, Community College of the Air Force
- 2007 Dynamics of International Terrorism, USAF Special Operations School, Hurlburt Field, FL.
- 2007 Advanced Air Mobility Operations Course, HQ AMC, USAF Expeditionary Center, Ft. Dix, NJ
- 2008 USAF Inspectors Course, Scott AFB, IL.
- 2009 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Gunter Annex, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 2009 USAF Nuclear Surety Inspectors Course, SAF/IG, Scott AFB, IL.
- 2010 USAF Leadership Challenge Course, Scott AFB, IL.
- 2010 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Course, Joint Forces Staff College
- 2011 Bachelor of Science Degree, Business Administration, Trident University International, Cypress CA.
- 2011 Air Force Inspector General Investigating Officer Training Course, SAF/IG, Landsdowne, VA.
- 2011 Professional Manager Certification, Community College of the Air Force
- 2012 Chief's Leadership Course, Scott AFB, IL.
- 2014 Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course, Randolph AFB, TX.
- 2016 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, NC

ASSIGNMENTS

December 1988 – January 1989, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, TX.
February 1989 – September 1992, Utilities Specialist, 3750th Civil Engineering Sq. Sheppard AFB, TX.
September 1992 – September 1997, C-141B Aircraft Loadmaster, 86th/20th Airlift Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
July 1997 – October 1998, C-141B Instructor Loadmaster, 4th Airlift Sq. McChord AFB, WA.
October 1998 – January 2001, Chief Instructor/PNAF Airdrop Loadmaster, 4th Airlift Sq. McChord AFB, WA.
January 2001 – November 2003, TALCE Loadmaster, 615th Air Mobility Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
November 2003 – April 2005, Affiliation Program Manager, 615th Air Mobility Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
April 2005 – August 2006, C-5 Loadmaster/Flight Supervisor, 22d Airlift Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
August 2006 – October 2007, Flight Chief, Wing Training, 573d Global Support Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
October 2007 – February 2008, Program Manager, Wing Strategic Plans, 573d Global Support Sq. Travis AFB, CA.
February 2008 – July 2008, Functional Manager, Operations Branch, 615th Contingency Response Wing, Travis AFB, CA.
August 2008 – July 2011 Superintendent, Operations Branch, Headquarters Air Mobility Command Inspector General, Scott AFB, IL.
July 2011 – July 2012, Superintendent, Complaints and Resolution Division, Headquarters Air Mobility Command Inspector General, Scott AFB, IL.
July 2012 – January 2013, Chief Enlisted Manager, 550th Special Operations Sq. Kirtland AFB, NM.
January 2013 – August 2013, Chief Enlisted Manager, 58th Operations Support Sq. Kirtland AFB, NM.
August 2013 – December 2015, Superintendent, 58th Operations Group, Kirtland AFB, NM.
December 2015 – Present, Command Chief, 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Medal
Aerial Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Antarctica Service Medal
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with one bronze star
Southwest Asia Service Medal with one bronze star
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one bronze star
Iraq Campaign Medal with one bronze star
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Armed Forces Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1992 Promoted to Senior Airman Below the Zone
1994 Airman of the Year, 20th Airlift Squadron
2002 C-5 Loadmaster Initial Qualification Distinguished Graduate
2007 Henry E. "Red" Erwin Outstanding Enlisted Aircrew Award, HQ AMC
2007 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, 615th Contingency Response Wing
2007 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 573d Global Support Squadron
2009 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, HQ AMC Inspector General
2010 Howard W. Leaf Inspector of the Year, HQ AMC
2011 Summa Cum Laude Graduate, Trident University International
2013 C-130 Loadmaster Initial Qualification Distinguished Graduate

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Airman	13 Jun 1989
Airman First Class	13 Apr 1990
Senior Airman	13 Jun 1991
Staff Sergeant	01 Mar 1996
Technical Sergeant	01 Jun 2001
Master Sergeant	01 Jul 2004
Senior Master Sergeant	01 Nov 2008
Chief Master Sergeant	01 Jun 2012