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# 2017 Annual Awards Banquet



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## THE AIRMAN'S CREED

I am an American Airman.

I am a Warrior.

I have answered my Nation's call.

I am an American Airman.

My mission is to Fly, Fight, and Win.

I am faithful to a Proud Heritage,

A Tradition of Honor,

And a Legacy of Valor.

I am an American Airman.

Guardian of Freedom and Justice,

My Nation's Sword and Shield,

Its Sentry and Avenger.

I defend my Country with my Life.

I am an American Airman.

Wingman, Leader, Warrior.

I will never leave an Airman behind,

I will never falter,

And I will not fail.



## The Air Force Song

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,

Climbing high into the sun;

Here they come zooming to meet our thunder,

At 'em boys, Give 'er the gun!

Down we dive, spouting our flame from under,

Off with one hell of a roar!

We live in fame or go down in flame.

Nothing can stop the U.S. Air Force!





CATEGORY	2016 Annual Awards Nominees
First Sergeant	MSgt Shaun Phelps - 710 SFS
Additional Duty First Sergeant	MSgt Larissa E. Beavers - 9 SOPS MSgt Andrea K. Damm - RNSSI MSgt David P. Noblit - 380 SPCS
Airman	SrA Caleb T. Baumgartner - 9 SOPS SrA Eric R. Johnson - 310 FSS SrA Courtney S. Kelly - 380 SPCS
Noncommissioned Officer	TSgt Bronwen R. Gullede - 9 SOPS SSgt Mari N. Moxley - RNSSI SSgt Telisse T. Rodriguez - 310 FSS TSgt Ryan D. Vaught - 8 SWS
Senior Noncommissioned Officer	MSgt Michael S. Baumgartner - 9 SOPS MSgt Kevin A. Reed - 8 SWS MSgt Matthew J. Scandrol - 710 SFS
Company Grade Officer	Capt Christel D. Andrews - 9 SOPS Capt Timothy J. Baptist - RNSSI Capt Regan C. De La Cruz - 19 SOPS
Civilian Category II	GS-13 Joshua D. Johnson - RNSSI GS-13 Phillip Morgan - 7 SOPS
Civilian Supervisory Category II	GS-13 Erin M. Hendricks - 9 SOPS GS-13 Vilma E. Ortiz Vergne - 19 SOPS
Capt Dee Jai Rogers Award	TSgt Julia A. Bursiaga - 19 SOPS Maj Shuan L. Pringle - 310 OGV
Squadron	9th Space Operations Squadron Reserve National Space Security Institute 310th Security Forces Squadron 19th Space Operations Squadron

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**MAJOR GENERAL FRANK J. CASSERINO  
(USAF, Ret)**



Maj. Gen. Frank J. Casserino (ret.) was the mobilization assistant to the Commander, Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

General Casserino entered the Air Force in 1977 as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. From his first assignment at Sunnyvale Air Force Station, Calif., his career has been marked with opportunities to start new engineering and space programs, to include his selection as the prime payload specialist for a space shuttle flight in September 1986. In 1993, he was selected to begin the space unit program for Air Force Reserve Command. That effort has grown to two groups and a Reserve space wing.

As a civilian, he worked for the Aerospace Corporation as a space engineer/consultant for Air Force Space Command. General Casserino is qualified to wear the Command Space Badge and the Parachute Badge.

**EDUCATION**

1977 Bachelor of Science degree in astronautical engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1980 Master of Science degree in business administration, Santa Clara University, Calif.

1981 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence

1985 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

1997 Air War College, by correspondence

**ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 1977 - March 1980, Chief, Satellite Operations Team, Air Force Satellite Control Facility, Sunnyvale Air Force Station, Calif.

2. March 1980 - March 1981, Department of Defense Joint Activity Chief, Support Systems Branch, Air Force Element - Secretary of the Air Force Special Projects, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

3. March 1981 - April 1984, DOD Joint Activity Chief, Spacecraft Engineering Branch, Air Force Element - Secretary of the Air Force Special Projects, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

4. April 1984 - April 1986, DOD Joint Activity Chief, Manned Spaceflight Engineer, Air Force Element - Secretary of the Air Force Special Projects, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

5. April 1986 - January 1988, Chief, Space Shuttle Flight Operations, Air Force Element - Secretary of the Air Force Special Projects, Office of the Secretary of



2009 Keystone Leadership Summit, Dallas, Texas  
2010 Requisite Organization Management/Leadership Training, San Antonio, Texas  
2010 Keystone Leadership Summit, Orlando, Fla.  
2010 AFRC Chief Master Sergeant Orientation Course, Robins AFB, Ga.  
2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education (SEJPM) course, by correspondence  
2011 Annual Survey of the Law, Atlanta, Ga.  
2011 TCSG Leadership Summit, Appalachians, Ga.  
2011 Leadership Diversified Training, Acworth, Ga.  
2012 Change Management, Harvard Business School Webinar Review Series  
2013 Mastering Remote Presentations, Harvard Business School Webinar Review Series  
2014 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Washington D.C.  
2015 Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1989 - May 1992, bulk storage attendant and fuels specialist, 67th Supply Squadron, Bergstrom AFB, Texas
2. May 1992 - July 1995, military training instructor, 322nd Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
3. July 1995 - July 1996, manning noncommissioned officer in charge/master AETC military training instructor, 737th Training Support Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
4. July 1996 - September 1997, master AETC military training instructor, 322nd Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
5. September 1997 - February 1999, claims paralegal, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
6. February 1999 - March 2002, master AETC military training instructor/interim section supervisor, 433rd Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
7. March 2002 - January 2004, military justice paralegal, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters Air Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. January 2004 - December 2004, systems administrator/military justice paralegal, Air Force Legal Services Agency, Legal Information Services Systems Operations Division, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. December 2004 - July 2005, Individual Mobilization Augmentee/NCOIC, Legal Office, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters United States Air Force Academy, USAF Academy, Colo.
10. August 2005 - November 2007, Senior IMA Paralegal Manager, Acquisitions and Research, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
11. November 2007 - October 2008, Senior IMA Paralegal Manager/IMA Command Paralegal, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Ninth Air Force/United States Air Forces Central, Shaw AFB, S.C.
12. October 2008 - October 2010, Senior IMA Reserve Paralegal Training Manager for The Judge Advocate General's School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. October 2010 - December 2011, Senior IMA Command Paralegal Manager for Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, Texas.
14. December 2011 - May 2013, Command Paralegal Manager for Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, Ga.
15. May 2013 - Sep 2015, Chief, Enlisted Force Development for Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, Ga.
16. Oct 2015 - present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 310th Space Wing, Schriever AFB, Colo.

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal with one silver oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with X Device

**OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

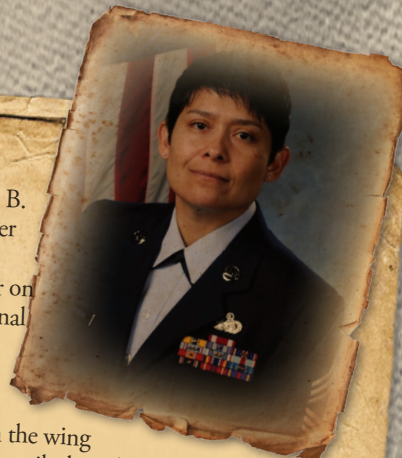
2005 Brig Gen Jerry Scott Work Product Award (AFMC)  
2008 Outstanding Reserve Paralegal of the Year (Westbrook Award)

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION**

Chief Master Sergeant, November 2010



# CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT IMELDA B. JOHNSON



Chief Master Sergeant Imelda B. Johnson is the Command Chief Master Sergeant, 310th Space Wing, Schriever Air Force Base, Colo. Chief Johnson advises the commander on all matters relating to readiness, training, professional development, force utilization, operations tempo, health, morale, welfare and leadership of the enlisted members of the wing. She performs as the functional manager to the first sergeants within the wing and serves as the commander's representative on councils, boards, and selected events within the military and civilian communities.

Chief Johnson began her active duty career by enlisting in the Air Force in February 1989. During her ten-year active duty tour, she was a bulk storage attendant and fuels specialist at Bergstrom AFB, Texas and then excelled as a Master AETC Military Training Instructor at Lackland AFB, Texas. Her final active duty assignment was as a claims paralegal at Dyess AFB, Texas. Chief Johnson left active duty for the U.S. Air Force Reserve in 1999 and was assigned to the 433rd Training Squadron at Lackland AFB, Texas. In March 2002, Chief Johnson transferred into the IMA program where she served in numerous leadership roles. In December 2011 Chief Johnson commenced an Active Duty Guard/Reserve (AGR) tour as the AFRC Command Paralegal Manager and concluded her tour as the AFRC Chief of Enlisted Force Development before assuming her current position/duties in October 2015.

## EDUCATION

- 1989 Fuels Specialist Course, Chanute AFB, Ill.
- 1992 Airman Leadership School, Bergstrom AFB, Texas
- 1992 Military Training Instructor School, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 1993 Associate degree in fuels technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 1996 Basic Instructor Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 1997 Paralegal Apprentice Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1998 Associate degree in instructor technology and military science, Community College of the Air Force
- 2002 Associate degree in paralegal studies, Community College of the Air Force
- 2002 Annual Survey of the Law, Denver, Colo.
- 2003 Paralegal Craftsman Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2004 NCO Academy, by correspondence
- 2004 Bachelor's degree in computer information systems, Park University, Parkville, Mo.
- 2004 Senior NCO Enhancement Course, Randolph AFB, Texas
- 2005 Law Office Management Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2005 Senior Reserve Forces Paralegal Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2006 Keystone Leadership Summit, Keystone, Colo.
- 2006 Senior NCO Academy, by correspondence
- 2006 Master's degree in information systems management, University of Phoenix, Phoenix, Ariz.
- 2007 Keystone Leadership Summit, Orlando, Fla.
- 2008 Annual Survey of the Law, Denver, Colo.
- 2009 Requisite Organization Management/Leadership Training, San Antonio, Texas

the Air Force, Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

6. December 1989 - November 1990, astronautical engineer, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

7. December 1990 - February 1993, Acquisition Program Manager, Detachment 5, Space Systems Division, Falcon AFB, Colo.

8. March 1993 - August 1997, Commander, 7th Space Operations Squadron, Falcon AFB, Colo.

9. September 1997 - January 2002, Commander, 310th Space Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.

10. January 2002 - January 2003, mobilization assistant to the Director of Operations, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

11. January 2003 - February 2006, mobilization assistant to the Commander, 20th Air Force, F. E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

12. February 2006 - October 2009, mobilization assistant to the Under Secretary of the Air Force, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

13. November 2009 - present, mobilization assistant to the Commander, Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster
- Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
- Joint Meritorious Unit Award
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with oak leaf cluster
- National Defense Service Medal with two bronze stars
- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- Military Outstanding Volunteer Medal
- Air Force Longevity Service Award with silver and two bronze oak leaf clusters
- Armed Forces Reserve Medal with hourglass and "M" device
- Air Force Training Ribbon

## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

- Second Lieutenant June 1, 1977
- First Lieutenant June 1, 1979
- Captain June 1, 1981
- Major March 7, 1991
- Lieutenant Colonel June 16, 1995
- Colonel May 8, 1999
- Brigadier General Aug. 25, 2003
- Major General June 2, 2007





## COLONEL TRACI L. KUEKER-MURPHY



Colonel Traci L. Kueker-Murphy is the commander of the 310th Space Wing, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado. The unit is the only space wing in Air Force Reserve Command. She directs the operations and staff activities of over 950 military personnel at 16 units and three direct reporting units. The missions of these units range from space operations, network security, command and control of space forces, missile warning, medical and mission support. The wing is also responsible for providing support to Air Force Space Command's security forces missions and professional development at the National Security Space Institute. Collectively the units support Combatant Commanders world-wide on a daily basis.

Colonel Kueker-Murphy was commissioned through Air Force ROTC and entered active duty in 1991. She served as an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Crew Commander and Instructor at Grand Forks AFB, and as Chief of Social Actions at Little Rock AFB before joining the Air Force Reserve in 1998. By 2000 she was the Chief of Plans and Programs for AFRC's only space group where she led the establishment of eight Reserve space and cyber units ultimately culminating in the activation of the first Air Force Reserve Space Wing. She went on to command the 19th Space Operations Squadron, the designated Subject Matter Experts for transitioning the Global Positioning System to new ground and launch control segments. During her tenure, the unit flawlessly completed the transitions and successfully launched the first of a new generation of GPS satellites, for which it received the 2007 John J. Welch Award for Excellence in Acquisition Management and the 2011 Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award.

Colonel Kueker-Murphy then moved to the 310th Operations Group as the Deputy Commander and Commander, where she led over 500 space operations professionals executing missions across the space enterprise, including space-based missile warning; satellite command and control supporting weather, GPS and Air Force ISR assets; defensive space control; system test and space range control. Her most recent assignment was Deputy Director of Staff, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command.

### EDUCATION:

- 1986 Bachelor of Science in geology, University of Wisconsin, River Falls, Wis.
- 1990 Bachelor of Science in geography, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Ill.
- 1992 Undergraduate Missile Training, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
- 1996 Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, Patrick AFB, Fla.

1997 Master of Science in geography, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Ill. 1997 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
1999 Inter-service Space Fundamentals Course, Peterson AFB, Colo. 2000 Advanced Space Operations Course, Schriever AFB, Colo.  
2003 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence 2007 AirWar College, by correspondence  
2009 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Washington D.C.  
2011 National Security Decision Making, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.  
2011 SpaceWarfighter Preparation Course, National Security Space Institute, Colorado Springs, Colo. 2014 Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, by correspondence

### UNITED STATES AIRFORCE

#### ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 1991 - December 1993, Missile Combat Crew Deputy and Crew Commander, 446th Missile Squadron, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
2. December 1993 - May 1995, Missile Combat Crew Instructor, 321st Operations Support Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
3. May 1995 - August 1998, Chief, Social Actions, 314th Airlift Wing, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
4. August 1998 - September 2000, Deputy Chief, Plans and Programs, 310th Space Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.
5. September 2000 - July 2005, Chief, Plans and Programs, 310th Space Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.
6. July 2005 - November 2007, Director of Operations, 19th Space Operations Squadron, Schriever, AFB, Colo.
7. November 2007 - September 2010, Commander, 19th Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
8. September 2010 - May 2011, Deputy Commander, 310th Operations Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.
9. May 2011 - January 2014, Commander, 310th Operations Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.
10. January 2014 - September 2016, Deputy Director of Staff, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, Ga. 11. September 2016 - present, Commander, 310th Space Wing, Schriever AFB, Colo.

SPACE PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS: Command Space Badge Space Level 3  
Certification Systems: Minuteman III and Global Positioning System

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS: Legion of Merit Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation Medal Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters Combat Readiness Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Air & Space Campaign Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS: Distinguished Graduate, AFROTC Top Performer, Undergraduate Missile Training Distinguished Graduate, Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute Outstanding Writer, Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute Air Force Reserve Command Plans Manager of the Year, 2000 John J. Welch Award for Excellence in Acquisition Management, 2007 GPS World 50+ Leaders to Watch, 2008 Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award, 2011

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION: Second Lieutenant Dec. 15, 1990 First Lieutenant Dec. 15, 1992 Captain Dec. 15, 1994 Major April 10, 2001 Lieutenant Colonel Aug. 18, 2005 Colonel Nov. 1, 2010

