



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR GENERAL GARRETT HARENCAK

Maj. Gen. Garrett Harencak is Assistant Chief of Staff for Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters U. S. Air Force, Washington D.C. General Harencak is responsible to the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force for focus on Nuclear Deterrence Operations. He advocates for and oversees stewardship of Air Force nuclear weapon systems. In addition, he integrates the organizing, training and equipping of the Air Force's nuclear mission, and engages with joint and interagency partners for nuclear enterprise solutions.



General Harencak entered the Air Force in 1983 as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. His assignments include aircraft command of the B-52; instructor pilot and squadron command in the B-1B; and service as aide to the Commander of U.S. Central Command. He also directed the Headquarters U.S. Air Force Executive Secretariat, and served as Deputy Director of Requirements at Headquarters Air Combat Command. General Harencak commanded the 7th Bomb Wing at Dyess AFB, Texas, and the 509th Bomb Wing at Whiteman AFB, Mo.

Before his current assignment, he was the commander, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

EDUCATION

- 1983 Bachelor of Science degree, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs
- 1988 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1991 Master of Science degree, Abilene Christian University, Texas
- 1994 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2002 Master of Science degree, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 1983 - July 1984, student, undergraduate pilot training, Reese AFB, Texas

2. July 1984 - December 1984, student, B-52 combat crew training, Castle AFB, Calif
3. December 1984 - September 1989, co-pilot, standards and evaluations pilot, and aircraft commander, 97th Bomb Wing, Eaker AFB, Ark.
4. September 1989 - August 1993, aircraft commander, instructor pilot and evaluator pilot, 96th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
5. August 1993 - June 1994, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
6. June 1994 - October 1997, action officer and aide-de-camp to Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
7. October 1997 - June 2001, instructor pilot and operations officer, 9th Bomb Squadron, and commander, 28th Bomb Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
8. June 2001 - June 2002, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. June 2002 - June 2003, Director, Executive Review Secretariat, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
10. June 2003 - August 2004, Vice Commander, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
11. August 2004 - July 2006, Commander, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
12. July 2006 - September 2007, Deputy Director of Requirements, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
13. September 2007 - March 2009, Commander, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
14. March 2009 - January 2011, Principal Assistant Deputy Administrator for Military Application, Office of Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C.
15. January 2011 - February 2013, Commander, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
16. March 2013 - present, Assistant Chief of Staff, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1994 - August 1995, action officer, Operations Directorate (J3), U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a major
2. August 1995 - October 1997, aide-de-camp to the Commander, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a major
3. March 2009 - January 2011, Principal Assistant Deputy Administrator for Military Application, Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C., as a brigadier general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,000 hours

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, B-52G, B-1B and B-2

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal
Combat Readiness Medal with oak leaf cluster
National Defense Service Medal with bronze star
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1983
First Lieutenant June 1, 1985
Captain June 1, 1987
Major March 1, 1994
Lieutenant Colonel Jan. 1, 1998
Colonel June 1, 2003
Brigadier General Aug. 2, 2008
Major General June 4, 2012

(Current as of June 2013)