



Lieutenant General Mark R. Wise

Deputy Commandant for Aviation

Lieutenant General (LtGen) Mark R. Wise was born in Amarillo, TX, and is a graduate of the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington, and the Naval War College in Newport, RI.

LtGen Wise served as the Commanding Officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFA) 122 Crusaders from 2003 to 2004 during which the squadron deployed in support of the Unit Deployment Program. He commanded Marine Aircraft Group (MAG) 12 from 2008 to 2009 during which he supported numerous exercises throughout the Western Pacific Region. From 2011 to 2013, he served as Commanding General, Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA. From 2016 to 2018, LtGen Wise served as Commanding General, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing (MAW) aboard Marine Corps Air Station Miramar.



LtGen Wise's operational tours include service with VMFA-333 during Operation DESERT SHIELD and Operation DESERT STORM; VMFA-312 with Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 8 aboard the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT during Operation DENY FLIGHT and Operation SOUTHERN WATCH (OSW); the 58th Fighter Squadron during OSW; and VMFA-251 with CVW-1 and the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON in support of OSW.

LtGen Wise's staff tours include various billets with MAG-31 and MAG-12 between 1998 and 2008 as well as assignment to Headquarters Marine Corps, Aviation from 1999 to 2001. In 2009, he deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as an individual augment to the International Security Assistance Force. In 2010, LtGen Wise returned to Headquarters Marine Corps and served as the Deputy Branch Head for Aviation Plans, Policies, Budget, and Joint Matters until 2011. From 2011 to 2013, while serving as the Commanding General of the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, he also served as the Vice Chief of Naval Research. In 2013, LtGen Wise was assigned as the Assistant Wing Commander, 3rd MAW and in 2014, he was assigned as the Deputy Commander, United States Forces Japan. From 2018-2020, he served as the Assistant Deputy Commandant for Combat Development & Integration and Deputy Commanding General Marine Corps Combat Development Command. LtGen Wise assumed his current position as the Deputy Commandant for Aviation, Headquarters Marine Corps in July 2020.

LtGen Wise's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, Air Medal - individual action with combat "V", Strike Flight Air Medal eighth award, Joint Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, and Air Force Commendation Medal. He has more than 4,000 flight hours, primarily in the F/A-18 Hornet and F-15C Eagle.