



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR GENERAL SCOTT A. VANDER HAMM

Retiring effective December 01, 2017

Maj. Gen. Scott A. Vander Hamm is the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. He is responsible to the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff for formulating policy supporting air, space, irregular warfare, counterproliferation, homeland security, weather and cyber operations. General Vander Hamm determines operational requirements, capabilities and training necessary to support national security objectives and military strategy.

General Vander Hamm received his commission through Officer Training School in 1986. His background includes both flying and staff assignments and command at the squadron, group, wing, task force, joint functional component and numbered air force levels. He also served twice in the Joint Staff and in a major command staff. Prior to his current assignment, Gen. Vander Hamm was the Commander, 8th Air Force, Air Force Global Strike Command, and Commander, Joint Functional Component Command, Global Strike and Task Force 204, US Strategic Command. He has flown and employed both the B-2A and B-1B in combat for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Odyssey Dawn in Libya.

General Vander Hamm is a command pilot with 4,600 hours in the T-37, T-38, T-43, B-52, B-1 and B-2.

EDUCATION

1985 Bachelor of Arts degree, Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, Ariz.

1990 Master of Arts degree in Defense Administration, Northern Michigan University, Marquette

1991 Distinguished graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1996 Air Command and Staff College, by seminar

2000 Master of Military Studies degree, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Va.

2001 Air War College, by seminar

2004 Back to Basics, Executive Business Training, Darden Graduate School of Business, University of Virginia

2005 Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellowship, 3M Company, St. Paul, Minn.

2006 Executive Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.

2007 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2011 System Acquisition Management Course for General and Flag Officers, Fort Belvoir, Va.

2011 Joint Force Air Component Commander (JFACC) Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2012 Senior Joint Information Operations Application Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2012 Enterprise Perspectives Seminar, Capitol Hill Club, Washington, D.C.



2013 Joint Flag Officer's Warfighting Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2016 Coalition Force Maritime Component Commander (CFMCC) Course, U.S. Southern Command, Miami, Fl.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1986 - January 1987, Student, undergraduate navigator training, Mather AFB, Calif.
2. January 1987 - August 1987, Student, B-52 combat crew training, Castle AFB, Calif.
3. September 1987 - March 1990, B-52H Senior Instructor Navigator, and Standardization and Evaluation Flight Examiner, K. I. Sawyer AFB, Mich.
4. April 1990 - June 1991, Student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, Ariz.
5. July 1991 - August 1995, Flight Commander and B-1 Instructor Pilot, Dyess AFB, Texas.
6. August 1995 - March 1997, B-2 pilot, Mission Commander, and Chief of Scheduling, 393rd Bomb Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
7. March 1997 - September 1998, Assistant Director of Operations; Chief of Standardization and Evaluation; Flight Commander; and B-2 instructor pilot, 394th Combat Training Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
8. September 1998 - July 1999, Wing Executive Officer and B-2 Instructor Pilot, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
9. July 1999 - June 2000, Student, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Va.
10. June 2000 - June 2002, Operations Officer, Strategic Operations Division (J38), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
11. July 2002 - June 2004, Commander, 325th Bomb Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
12. July 2004 - June 2005, Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellow, 3M Company, St. Paul, Minn.
13. July 2005 - May 2007, Commander, 7th Operations Group, Dyess AFB, Texas
14. April 2006 – Sep 2006, Commander, 40th Air Expeditionary Group, British Indian Ocean Territory, Diego Garcia
15. June 2007 - June 2009, Commander, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
16. June 2009 - August 2010, Assistant Deputy Director for Global Operations (J39), Operations Directorate, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
17. August 2010 - June 2012, Commander, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
18. July 2012 – October 2013, Director of Plans, Programs, Requirements and Assessments, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas
19. October 2013 – April 2015, Commander, Eighth Air Force (Air Forces Strategic) and Commander, Task Force 204, Barksdale AFB, La., and Joint Functional Component Commander for Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.
20. April 2015 – present, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2000 - June 2002, operations officer, Strategic Operations Division(J38), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant colonel
2. June 2009 - August 2010, Assistant Deputy Director for Global Operations (J39), Operations Directorate, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a colonel and brigadier general
3. October 2013 - April 2015, Commander, Joint Functional Component Command for Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb., as a major general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: 4,600 hours

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

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Distinguished Flying Cross

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

State of Missouri Meritorious Service Medal

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with silver oak leaf cluster

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1986 Distinguished graduate, Ira J. Husik Memorial Trophy, undergraduate navigator training

1991 Distinguished graduate, ATC Commander's Trophy; Flying Training Award, undergraduate pilot training

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant March 11, 1986

First Lieutenant March 11, 1988

Captain March 11, 1990

Major Sept. 1, 1997

Lieutenant Colonel May 1, 2000

Colonel Aug. 1, 2004

Brigadier General July 16, 2010

Major General Nov. 15, 2013

(Current as of November 2016)