



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL DENNIS B. HAYWARD

Colonel Dennis B. Hayward is Vice Wing Commander of the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Nebraska Air National Guard at the Municipal Airport, Lincoln, Nebraska. The wing operates eight KC-135R aircraft performing air refueling, airlift and aeromedical evacuation missions supporting U.S. and coalition contingency operations and the U.S. Strategic Command strategic deterrence missions. The wing provides global reach airpower and deploys expeditionary forces in support of worldwide combat, contingency and humanitarian requirements. The 155th Air Refueling Wing is the host wing for several Army National Guard units and it provides support to the Nebraska Air National Guard's 170th Group at Offutt AFB and Joint Force Headquarters, Nebraska, based in downtown Lincoln.



Colonel Hayward joined the ANG in 1984 and Graduated from Officer Training at the ANG Academy of Military Science. He attended Undergraduate Navigator Training and Tactical Navigation Training at Mather AFB, CA. Following RF-4C Initial Qualification Training, he returned to Mather AFB and attended Electronic Warfare Officer School. He was then heavily involved in the development and operational testing of the Navigation and Weapons Delivery System (NWDS) for the RF-4C with Detachment 1, ANG and AFRES Test Center at Eglin AFB, FL from 1988 to 1990. After attending the RF-4C Instructor School in 1991, he was invited to instruct at the RF-4C Replacement Training Unit at Boise ID until the spring of 1992. He then served both as a flight instructor and the main academic instructor on a Mobile Training Team that taught foreign instructors how to employ the NWDS in both the Spanish and Korean Air Forces. In 1993 he attended KC-135 CCTS at Castle AFB, CA, and completed KC-135 CFIC at Altus AFB, OK in 1994. Colonel Hayward was hired full time in 1994 and served as the Assistant Chief of Training for the 155th Air Re-fueling Group. He moved to the OPS Group in 1995 as the Deputy Chief of Standards and Evaluations (Stan/Eval). In 2001 he became the Chief of Stan/Eval. He assumed command of 155 OSF in July, 2003 and was appointed Air Operations Officer in January 2004. In 2004 he deployed as the Commander 90th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron at Incirlik AB, Turkey. Colonel Hayward moved to the Wing Staff in April of 2006 as Chief of Wing Plans and focused the Wing preparing for the Unit Compliance Inspection. In January of 2008 Colonel Hayward assumed command of the Mission Support Group which supported numerous in and out of cycle deployments in support of the Air Expeditionary Forces.

Colonel Hayward has commanded at the Detachment, Flight, Squadron, and Group-levels and participated in many combat and contingency operations including Uphold Democracy, Decisive Endeavor, Deliberate Guard, Deliberate Forge, Allied Force, Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Humanitarian missions included Hurricanes Katrina and Gustav.

EDUCATION

- 1988 U.S. Air Force Electronic Warfare School, Mather AFB, CA
- 1999 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence
- 2007 Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 2008 Air War College, Correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1984 - March 1985, student, Undergraduate Navigator Training and Tactical Navigation Training, Mather AFB, California
2. April 1985 - November 1985, student, RF-4C Replacement Training Unit, 189th Tactical Reconnaissance Training Flight, Gowen Field, Boise, Idaho
3. December 1985 - October 1987, RF-4C Weapon Systems Officer, 173rd Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
4. November 1987 - May 1988, Student, Electronic Warfare Officer School, Mather AFB, California
5. June 1988 - June 1993, RF-4C weapons and tactics officer, 173rd Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
6. June 1993 - September 1993, student, KC-135R Combat Crew Training School, Castle AFB, California
7. September 1993 - October 1995, KC-135R Instructor navigator and Assistant Chief of Training Flight, 155th Operations Group, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
8. October 1995 - August 2001, KC-135R Evaluator navigator and Deputy Chief of Standards and Evaluations, 155th Operations Group, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
9. August 2001 - July 2003, KC-135R Evaluator navigator and Chief of Standards and Evaluations, 155th Operations Group, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
10. July 2003 - April 2006, Commander, 155th Operations Support Flight, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
11. April 2006 - January 2008, KC-135R Evaluator navigator and Chief Wing Plans, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
12. January 2008 - February 2010, Commander, 155th Mission Support Group, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska
13. February 2010 - Present, Vice Wing Commander, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln ANGB, Nebraska

FLIGHT INFORMATION

RATING: MASTER NAVIGATOR

Flight Hours: Over 3,100

Aircraft Flown: T-37B, T-43A, RF-4C, KC-135R/T

MAJOR AWARDS

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with eight oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with eight oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with service star

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with one device

Kosovo Campaign Medal

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Korean Defense Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal with two devices

Humanitarian Service Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border and one device

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M device

NATO Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	May 24, 1984
First Lieutenant	May 24, 1987
Captain	Nov. 15, 1990
Major	Dec. 1, 1997
Lieutenant Colonel	Sept. 15, 2003
Colonel	Nov. 18, 2008

(Current as of April 2011)