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BIOGRAPHY

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Colonel Tony A. Hart

Colonel Tony A. Hart is commander of the 176th Wing, Kulis Air National Guard Base, Anchorage, Alaska. His responsibilities include articulating a vision, setting goals and objectives, developing leaders, and providing a healthy and equitable environment in which his people may serve. He oversees the recruiting, retention, and training of over 1500 Air Guard members, as well as operational and maintenance control of eight airlift C-130H, four rescue HC-130H (N), and six rescue HH-60 airframes for in-state and worldwide deployment.

Colonel Hart was commissioned in 1982 and received his navigator wings the same year. Colonel Hart has served in various positions at Air Mobility Command, including Advisor to the Director of Operations and Advisor to the Inspector General. Colonel Hart performed duties as Strategic Airlift Planner, Tanker Airlift Control Center, as well as being a lead qualified navigator in the 118 AW, Nashville, Tennessee and 182 AW, Peoria, Illinois.

Colonel Hart is a master navigator with more than 4,000 flying hours in the RC-135 and C-130 aircraft. He has participated in operations around the world, including Operation DESERT SHIELD and Operation PROVIDE PROMISE. Prior to assuming command at the 176th Wing, Colonel Hart served as the Air National Guard Advisor to the Commander, Air Mobility Command.

EDUCATION

1981 Bachelor's degree in religion, Tennessee Temple University, Chattanooga, Tennessee
1987 Squadron Officers School
1997 Air Command and Staff College
1999 Air War College

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. February 1982 - April 1982, student, officer training school, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. May 1982 - December 1982, student, undergraduate navigator training, Mather Air Force Base, California
3. February 1983 - June 1983, student, electronic warfare school, Mather Air Force Base, California

4. August 1983 - July 1988, standardization and evaluation flight examine warfare officer, 343rd Strategic Reconnaissance Squadron and 55th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska
5. August 1988 - October 1995, senior navigator, 105th Airlift Squadron, Tennessee Air National Guard, Nashville, Tennessee
6. August 1995 - January 1997, strategic airlift director, Tanker Airlift Control Center, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
7. October 1995 - February 1997, senior navigator, 169th Airlift Squadron, Illinois Air National Guard, Peoria, Illinois
8. February 1997 - May 1999, Chief, Air National Guard Readiness Plans, Office of the Inspector General, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
9. June 1999 - June 2000, strategic/tactical air operations staff officer, Training Division, Directorate of Operations, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
10. June 2000 - October 2003, Air National Guard Advisor to the Director of Operations, Directorate of Operations, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
11. October 2003 - January 2005, Air National Guard Advisor to the Commander, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Master Navigator

Flight hours: More than 4000

Aircraft flown: RC-135U, C-130A/E/H

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with two devices

National Defense with one device

Southwest Asia Medal

Saudia Arabian Medal for the Liberation of Kuwait

Kuwaiti Medal for the Liberation of Kuwait

Air Force Organizational Excellence with one device

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with one device

Air Force Training Ribbon

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Air Force Longevity Service Medal with six devices

Air Force Good Conduct Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one device

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" device

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	Apr 30, 1982
First Lieutenant	Apr 30, 1984
Captain	Apr 30, 1986
Major	Aug 6, 1991
Lieutenant Colonel	Jun 19, 1997
Colonel	Mar 30, 2001

(Current as of 15 February 2005)