



BIOGRAPHY

TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD

BRIGADIER GENERAL DAWN M. FERRELL



Brigadier General Dawn Marie Ferrell serves as the Deputy Adjutant General for Air for the Texas Military Department. She serves as the principle advisor to the Adjutant General of Texas for all Air National Guard issues and is responsible for assisting in the planning, direction and administration of over 3,200 Air National Guard personnel within the state of Texas.

General Ferrell received her commission through the Air National Guard's Academy of Military Science in 1994. She served as the Forward Aerial Port Commander during Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita Relief Efforts at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Louisiana, and Ellington Field, Texas, where her team set up a fully functioning aerial port to handle the influx of

aircraft delivering troops and supplies to the hurricane-devastated areas. General Ferrell was then appointed Acting Commander of the 136th Aerial Port Squadron and took full command until the squadron was deactivated in 2007. She served as the Vice Commander for the 136th Mission Support Group and the Group's Commander. General Ferrell deployed to ISAF HQ, Kabul, Afghanistan in a joint NATO billet as the Director of Plans and Logistics Operations, where she was responsible for strategic level oversight for logistics planning, sustainment, and redeployment of US and NATO forces for the International Security Assistance Force mission. In her most recent assignment as Commander for the 136th Mission Support Group, she provided leadership and direction to the Group resulting in mission readiness of the Civil Engineer Squadron, Security Forces Squadron, Logistics Readiness Squadron, Force Support Squadron, Communications Flight, and a contracting element.

EDUCATION:

1988 Midwestern State University, Bachelor of Arts, Wichita Falls, Texas

1994 Academy of Military Science, McGhee-Tyson Air National Guard Base, Tennessee

1996 Midwestern State University, Master of Arts, Wichita Falls, Texas

2002 University of North Texas, Doctor of Philosophy, Denton, Texas

2009 Air War College, by correspondence

2010 Joint Task Force Commander Training Course, Colorado Springs, Colorado

2012 Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia
2013 ISAF HQ Mission Rehearsal Training, NATO Joint Warfare Centre, Stavanger, Norway
2013 Combat Airman Skills Training, Camp Guernsey, Wyoming

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. August 1983 - May 1994, Air Cargo Specialist/Transportation Officer, 181st Aerial Port Flight, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
2. June 1994 - June 1995, Interim Commander/Commander, 181st Aerial Port Flight, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
3. July 1995 - October 1999, Transportation Officer, 136th Aerial Port Squadron, Fort Worth, Texas
4. November 1999 - September 2005, Operations Officer, 136th Aerial Port Squadron, Fort Worth, Texas
5. September 2005 - October 2005, Commander, 136th Aerial Port Squadron, Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita Relief Efforts, Belle Chase Naval Air Station, New Orleans, Louisiana, and Ellington Field, Houston, Texas
6. October 2005 - February 2006, Operations Officer, 136th Aerial Port Squadron, Ft Worth, Texas
7. February 2006 - April 2008, Commander, 136th Aerial Port Squadron, Fort Worth, Texas
8. April 2008 - November 2009, Vice Commander, 136th Mission Support Group, Fort Worth, Texas
9. November 2009 - November 2015, Commander, 136th Mission Support Group, Fort Worth, Texas
10. August 2013 - May 2014 Deployed Director, Plans and Logistics Operations, CJ4, Headquarters International Security Assistance Force, Kabul, Afghanistan
11. November 2015 - Present, Deputy Adjutant General for Air, Texas Military Department, Camp Mabry, Austin, Texas

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Air Force Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Service Star)
Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with 1 Service Star)
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Armed Forces Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
Air Force Longevity Service (with 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with 2 "M" Devices and Gold Hourglass)
Air Force Training Ribbon (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
NATO Medal

Texas Outstanding Service Medal
Adjutant General's Individual Award (with 2 White Stars)
Texas Faithful Service Medal (with Silver Cactus)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

National Guard Association of Texas
National Guard Association of the United States
Reserve Officers Association
Air Force Association
Association of the United States Army

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Staff Sergeant 17 August 1988
Second Lieutenant 17 February 1994
First Lieutenant 22 March 1996
Captain 18 April 1998
Major 27 April 2002
Lieutenant Colonel 21 August 2006
Colonel 10 March 2010
Brigadier General 19 November 2015

(Current as of January 2016)