

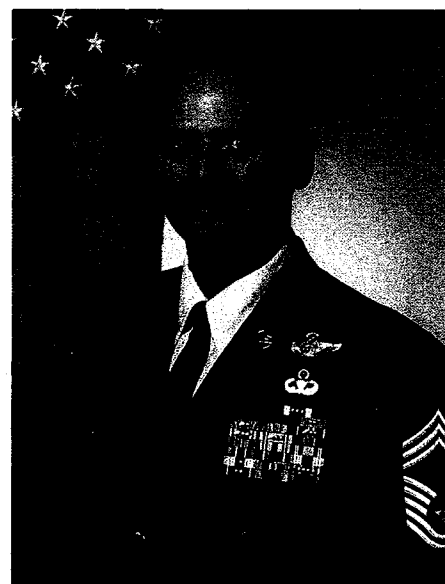


# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT BRYAN E. WINDER

Chief Master Sergeant Winder is the Superintendent for the 37th Training Group, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He serves as an advisor to the Group Commander, six squadron commanders, ten geographically separated units, three sister service detachments, and the group staff on matters concerning welfare, utilization, training and operations, career progression, and performance. The 37<sup>th</sup> Training Group comprises 1240 permanent party military and civilian personnel, and 38,000 technical training students annually in over 250 courses to include: all Battlefield Airman pipeline training; the Security Forces Academy; the Enlisted Aircrew Center of Excellence; the Air Force Recruiting School; numerous logistics, support and services training; Combat Airman Skills Training; and the DoD's Military Working Dog schools.



Chief Winder was born in Ypsilanti, Michigan, graduated from Onsted, Michigan, and entered the Air Force in April, 1983. After surviving a near fatal parachute accident in January, 1985 which nearly ended his career, he has spent his entire Air Force career as a Pararescueman with various responsibilities and exciting tours of duty, including two Major Command staffs. He has deployed numerous times in support of Operations DESERT STORM/SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM. He also supported numerous NASA Space Shuttle Trans-Atlantic Abort Landing Sites in Spain, and Eastern and Northern Africa. His assignments include bases in Idaho, Okinawa, Florida, Korea, Georgia and Texas.

### EDUCATION

- 1987 Airman Leadership School, Mountain Home Air Force Base, ID
- 1989 NCO Preparatory Course, Kadena AB, JA
- 1990 CCAF, Survival and Rescue Operations
- 1997 Non-commissioned Officer Academy, Robins AFB, GA
- 2004 Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Newport, RI – Dean's List
- 2007 Chief's Leadership Course, Gunter AFB, AL

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. April – May 1983, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, TX
2. May 1983 – May 1984, Pararescue Pipeline Student, Lackland Air Force Base, TX (OL-J) to Kirtland AFB, NM (1550 TCHTS) and numerous schools/locations in between (MAC/ATC)
3. May 1984 – November 1987, Det 22, 40 ARRS, Mountain Home AFB, ID (MAC)
4. November 1987 - November 1990, 33 ARRS/1730 PRS, Kadena Air Base, JA (PACAF)
5. November 1990 - December 1992, 1723 STSQ, Hurlburt Field, FL (AFSOC)
6. February 1993 – February 1994, Pararescue Instructor, 38 RQS, Osan AB, Rep. of Korea (PACAF)
7. February 1994 – August 1996, Pararescue Evaluator, 71 RQS/41 RQS, Patrick AFB, FL (ACC)
8. August 1996 – September 1998, Pararescue Stan/Eval Chief, 347 OG, Moody AFB, GA (ACC)
9. September 1998 – Jun 2001, Superintendent, Pararescue Flight, 320 STS, Kadena AB, JA (AFSOC)
10. July 2001 – July 2004, Commandant, Pararescue/Combat Rescue Officer Indoctrination Course, 342 TRS, Lackland AFB, TX (AETC)
11. August 2004 – May 2005, Superintendent, Special Operations Liaison Element/Air Integration Division, HQ AFSOC, Hurlburt Field, FL (AFSOC)
12. May 2005 – August 2006, Senior Enlisted Manager, 720 OSS, Hurlburt Field, FL (AFSOC)
13. August 2006 – November 2009, Pararescue Functional Manager/Training Pipeline Manger, HQ AETC/A3TB, Randolph AFB, TX (AETC)
14. December 2009 – July 2011, Superintendent, 342d Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, TX (AETC)
15. July 2011 – February 2013, Superintendent, 37<sup>th</sup> Training Group, JBSA-Lackland, TX (AETC)

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal (+3)

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal (+2)

Air Force Commendation Medal (+6)

Air Force Achievement Medal

Gallant Unit Citation

AF Organizational Excellence Award

Combat Readiness Medal (+7)

AETC Pararescue SNCO of the Year, 2002

Master Jumpmaster Rating: January 1998

Chief Enlisted Aircrew Rating: April 1988

Combined Flying Hours in UH-1N, HH-3, CH-46, MH-53, HH-60, mult. C-130 variants, C-141: 1100 hrs

Combat Support Flying Hours: 103

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Senior Airman                      September 1985

Sergeant                              August 1986

Staff Sergeant                      April 1990

Technical Sergeant                February 1997

Master Sergeant                    July 2000

Senior Master Sergeant            February 2004

Chief Master Sergeant            July 2007

(Current as of Jul 2012)