



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL SEAN E. LOWE

Colonel Sean E. Lowe is the Commander, 603d Air Operations Center, United States Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa A3/10, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. In this capacity, he leads 578 Airmen, Soldiers, and Sailors executing command and control of air, information, and space operations throughout the European and African theaters of operation. The 603d Air Operations Center forms the core of the Falconer Weapon System for USAFE-AFAFRICA. Prior to this assignment, Colonel Lowe was the Commander of the 48th Operations Group, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, United Kingdom.

Colonel Lowe commissioned into the Air Force through ROTC in June 1997 after graduating from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Science degree. He has served as a F-15E Instructor Weapon Systems Officer at four operational assignments and has flown combat sorties in Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. He is a graduate from the USAF Weapons School, the College of Naval Command and Staff, the Maritime Advanced Warfighting School, and the Joint Advanced Warfighting School.



EDUCATION:

- 1997 Bachelor of Science, The Citadel, Charleston, S.C.
- 2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
- 2004 United States Air Force Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2007 Masters of Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Cincinnati, Ohio
- 2008 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2010 Masters of Art, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
- 2010 Maritime Advanced Warfare School, Naval Station (NS) Newport, R.I.
- 2017 Masters of Art, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, NS Norfolk, Va.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1997–October 1997, OIC Equipment Maintenance Flight, 16th Maintenance Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
2. October 1997–August 1999, Student, Joint Undergraduate Navigator Training, Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla.
3. August 1999–June 2000, F-15E Student, 333d Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
4. June 2000–July 2003, F-15E Evaluator, Scheduling Officer, 336th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
5. July 2003–July 2004, Chief of Standardization and Evaluations, 494th Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force (RAF) Lakenheath, United Kingdom (U.K.)
6. July 2004–December 2004, Student, F-15E Weapons School, 17th Weapons Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. December 2004–July 2006, Chief of Weapons and Tactics/Flight Commander, 494th Fighter Squadron, RAF Lakenheath, U.K.
8. July 2006–July 2009, USAF Weapons School Instructor, Assistant Director of Operations, 17th Weapons Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
9. July 2009–October 2010, Student, College of Naval Command and Staff; and Maritime Advanced Warfighting School, Naval War College, NS Newport, R.I.

10. October 2010–December 2012, Deputy Chief, Strategy Division, 612th Air and Space Operations Center, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
11. December 2012–May 2014, Director of Operations, 389th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
12. May 2014–July 2016, Commander, 366th Operations Support Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
13. July 2016–July 2017, Student, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, NS Norfolk, Va.
14. July 2017–July 2020, Chief of Strategy and Plans, Headquarters U.S. Africa Command, Stuttgart, Germany
15. July 2020–June 2022, 48th Operations Group, RAF Lakenheath, U.K.
16. July 2022–present, Commander, 603d Air Operations Center, Ramstein AB, Germany

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Master navigator

Flight Hours: More than 2000

Aircraft Flown: F-15E, F-15SG, A/T-38, T-39, T-1, and T-34

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Distinguished Flying Cross

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award

AF Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device

Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Iraq Campaign Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with 'N' Device

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1997

First Lieutenant June 1999

Captain June 2001

Major April 2007

Lieutenant Colonel July 2012

Colonel November 2018