

BIOGRAPHY

162nd Fighter Wing

Arizona Air National Guard
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COLONEL GREGORY N. STROUD **Commander, 162nd Fighter Wing**



Col. Gregory N. Stroud is the commander of the 162nd Fighter Wing, Arizona Air National Guard Base located at the Tucson International Airport, Tucson, Ariz. He assumed this position in March 2009. The colonel received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University in 1980, and received his commission from the Navy's Aviation Officer's Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla., in August 1981. He joined the 162nd Fighter Wing in September 1988.

Colonel Stroud commands the largest Air National Guard fighter wing with more than 1,440 military members and 70 F-16s. The wing consists of three flying squadrons and provides maintenance support for the Air National Guard/Air Force Reserve Test Center. Detachments under his command include Operation Snowbird and Air Sovereignty Alert, both located at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. Colonel Stroud has commanded at all levels within the 162nd Fighter Wing. He has flown more than 4,700 hours in the T-34, T-2, A-4, F-5, A-7, and the F-16.

EDUCATION:

1980 Bachelor of Arts degree in History, Duke University
1986 Navy Fighter Weapons School
1993 Air Force Fighter Weapons School
1993 Squadron Officer School
1997 Air Command & Staff Course
2005 Air War College

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Aug 1981 – Jan 1982 T-34C Student, VT-3, Whiting Field NAS, Fla.
2. Jan 1982 – Aug 1982 T-2 Student, VT-26, Chase Naval Air Station, Texas
3. Aug 1982 – Mar 1983 TA-4J Student, VT-24, Chase Naval Air Station, Texas
4. Mar 1983 – Dec 1983 A-7E Student, VA-122, Lemoore Naval Air Station, Calif.
5. Dec 1983 – Mar 1986 A-7E Fleet pilot, VA-93, U.S.S. Midway, Astugi, Japan
6. Sep 1986 – Nov 1986 Navy Fighter Weapons School, Miramar Naval Air Station, Calif.
7. Sep 1986 – Sep 1988 A-4, F-5 Adversary Instructor, VFA-127, Fallon Naval Air Station, Nev.
8. Sep 1988 – Dec 1988. A-7D Conversion, 195th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
9. Dec 1988 – Nov 1989 A-7D IP, Flt CC, ADO, 195th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
10. Nov 1989 – Jun 1991 Operations Officer, 195th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
11. Jun 1991 – Sep 1991 F-16A Conversion, 148th Fighter Squadron, 148th FS, Tucson, Ariz.
12. Sep 1991 – Aug 1993 Instructor pilot, ADO, 148th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
13. Aug 1993 – Dec 1993 F-16A Air Force Fighter Weapons School, Tucson, Ariz.
14. Dec 1993 – Oct 1994 Advanced Weapons Course Instructor, 195th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
15. Oct 1994- June 1995 F-16A Fighter Weapons School Instructor, 152nd Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
16. Jun 1995 – Mar 1999 Operations Officer, 148th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
17. Mar 1999 – Mar 2002 Squadron Commander, 148th Fighter Squadron, Tucson, Ariz.
18. Sep 2002 – May 2003 162nd FW Deputy Operations Group Commander, Tucson, Ariz.
19. May 2003 – Nov 2004 162nd FW Operations Support Flight Commander, Tucson, Ariz.
20. Nov 2004 – Mar 2009 162nd FW Maintenance Group Commander, Tucson, Ariz.
21. Mar 2009 – Present Commander, 162nd Fighter Wing, Tucson, Ariz.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,700 (F-16 2,400)

Aircraft flown: T-34C, T-2, TA-4J, A-4E/F, F-5E, A-7D/E and the F-16C.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal (1 device)
Air Force Achievement Medal (1 device)
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation
National Defense Service Medal (1 device)
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (1 device)
Air Force Longevity Service (4 devices)
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (1 device)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Ensign	August 14, 1981
Lieutenant Junior Grade	September 15, 1983
Lieutenant	August 1, 1984
Major	September 15, 1994
Lieutenant Colonel	December 16, 1998
Colonel	April 27, 2006

(Current as of March 7, 2009)