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COLONEL NATHAN T. “N8” DAY

Col. Nathan T. Day is the Commander, Headquarters Readiness and Integration Organization. He is responsible for integrating over 8,000 wartime ready Individual Reserve forces in more than 50 MAJCOMs, CCMDs, and government agencies to meet Air Force and Combatant Commander requirements.

Colonel Day graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He attended undergraduate pilot training at Laughlin Air Force Base, TX and subsequently served as a T-1A instructor and student evaluator pilot. He served on active-duty for seven years before transitioning into the Air Force Reserve. Colonel Day has filled multiple roles from executive officer to leading a regional command post. He has experience working at the Wing, Combatant Commands, and filled roles in the National Capitol Region and Joint Staff. In addition, he served as the Chief of the COVID-19 Crisis Management team working directly for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Prior to his current position, he served as the Deputy Wing Commander for the 445 Airlift Wing. Where he oversaw the readiness of more than 1,800 assigned wing personnel in 19 units with an inventory of nine C-17 Globemaster III aircraft. The unit was responsible for world-wide movement of high priority personnel and cargo.

He has deployed in support of operations in Iraq, Qatar, Sweden, and the Republic of Korea. Colonel Day is a Senior Pilot with over 2,000 flying hours and more than 100 combat hours in numerous overseas contingency operations. In his civilian capacity, he is a pilot with a major airline.



EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science Degree, Civil Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Col.
1999 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2003 Advanced Instruments School, Lackland AFB, Tex.
2004 Squadron Officer's School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2015 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. by correspondence
2019 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2019 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. by correspondence
2020 Joint and Combined Warfighting School – Hybrid, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2020 Joint Humanitarian Operations Course, by correspondence, U.S. Agency for International Development
2022 Director of Mobility Forces Course, Hurlburt Field, Flo.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1999 – June 2000, Training Officer, Dover AFB, Del.
2. June 2000 – June 2001, Student, Joint Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Tex.





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3. July 2001 – October 2001, Student, Pilot Instructor Training, Randolph AFB, Tex.
4. July 2001 – August 2004, T-1A Instructor Pilot, Student Evaluator Pilot, Executive Officer, Chief Flight Scheduler, Programmer and Assistant Flight Commander, Laughlin AFB, Tex.
5. October 2004 – February 2005, C-130 Initial Qualification Course, Little Rock, AFB, Ark.
6. June 2005 – September 2006, C-130 Aircraft Commander, Officer Scheduler, Little Rock AFB, Ark. (April 2006 – September 2006, Mission Pilot, Balad Air Base, Iraq)
7. September 2006 – Jul 2013, C-130 Aircraft Commander, 731 Airlift Squadron, Peterson AFB, Col. (Jun 2008, Chief of Tactics, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar)
8. July 2013 – December 2014, Executive Officer, Peterson AFB, Col.
9. December 2014 – February 2017, Deputy Chief, Command Post, Peterson AFB, Col.
10. February 2017 – May 2021, Deputy Assistant Reserve Vice Director, Joint Operations Planner, Joint Staff J-7, Suffolk, Vir. (April 2019, Exercise Director, Uppsala, Sweden)
11. May 2021 – Sep 2023, Deputy Commander, 445th Airlift Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohi. (July 2023 – August 2023, Combined Joint Air Component Coordination Element Naval Liaison Officer, Busan, Korea and Osan Air Base, Korea)
12. September 2023 – Present, Commander, Headquarters Readiness and Integration Organization, Buckley SFB, Col.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 2014 – August 2015, Action Officer, J-7, NORAD/USNORTHCOM, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a major
2. February 2017 – May 2021, Deputy Assistant Reserve Vice Director, Joint Operations Planner, Joint Staff J-7, Suffolk, Va., as a lieutenant colonel (March 2020 – September 2020, Chief COVID-19 Crisis Management Team, Joint Staff J-33, Pentagon, Va., as a lieutenant colonel)

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior Pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,000

Aircraft flown: T-37B, T-1A, C-130 E/H3, C-17, EMB190, A320/321

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award

AF Outstanding Unit Award with oak leaf cluster

National Defense Service Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one 'M' Device

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2015 302nd Airlift Wing Outstanding Field Grade Officer of the Year

2005 Distinguished Graduate, C-130 Initial Qualification Course

2004 731st Flying Training Squadron Outstanding Instructor Pilot/Officer of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION





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Second Lieutenant June 2, 1999

First Lieutenant June 2, 2001

Captain June 2, 2003

Major April 15, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel Sept. 1, 2015

Colonel May 10, 2021

First Lieutenant June 1, 2002

Captain June 2, 2004

(Current as of September 2024)

