



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL KEVIN P. KIPPPIE

Col Kevin Kippie is the vice commander of the 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, Texas. He serves as second in command of the largest B-1 wing in the Air Force; providing combat-ready B-1 aircraft, aircrew, combat support, and expeditionary Airmen for global taskings.

Colonel Kippie received his commission in 1999 through Texas Tech University, graduating with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Information Systems. After completing Navigator training in 2001, he served as a B-52 Flight Commander, Chief of Standards and Evaluations, Chief of Weapons and Tactics, and Weapons School instructor before working in Headquarters Air Force A-10 as the Chief of Aircraft Nuclear Operations. Following his Pentagon assignment, he spent 4 years in Guam as the Director of Operations and Commander for the 36th Operational Support Squadron. He then taught at the School for Advanced Nuclear Deterrence Studies before attending Air War College in 2020. Prior to his current position, the colonel was the Chief of Bomber Requirements, Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana.



### EDUCATION

- 1999 Bachelor of Business Administration, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas
- 2005 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., by correspondence
- 2006 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2006 B-52H Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2008 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2010 Masters of Science, Aero Science Technology, Embry Riddle University, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- 2013 Nuclear Weapons Effects, Policy, and Proliferation, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2016 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2020 Masters of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1999 – January 2000 Flight Scheduler, 49th Operational Support Squadron, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.
2. January 2000 – February 2001, Student Navigator, Pensacola Naval Air Station, Fla.
3. February 2001 – September 2001, B-52 Student Navigator, Barksdale AFB, La.
4. September 2001 – December 2006, Standardization and Evaluation Flight Commander and B-52 Evaluator Navigator, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
5. December 2006 – December 2007, Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 20th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
6. December 2007 – October 2008, Operations Group Training Flight Commander, 2nd Operations Support Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
7. October 2008 – June 2011, Assistant Director of Operations and B-52 Weapons School Instructor, 340th Weapons Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.

8. June 2011 – July 2013, Chief of Aircraft Nuclear Operations, Headquarter Air Force, A-10, Pentagon, Va.
9. July 2013 – June 2015, Director of Operations, 36th Operations Support Squadron, Andersen AFB, Guam
10. June 2015 – June 2017, Commander, 36th Operations Support Squadron, Andersen AFB, Guam
11. June 2017 – July 2019, Deputy Course Director, School of Advanced Nuclear Deterrence Studies, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
12. July 2019 – September 2020, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. September 2020 – June 2021, Chief of Bomber Requirements Division, Air Force Global Strike Command, A-5B, Barksdale AFB, Ala.
14. June 2021 – Current, Vice Commander, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: master navigator

Flight hours: More than 3200, including 800 combat hours

Aircraft flown: B-1B, B-52H, T-1, T-34, T-39

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal with silver cluster

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant Jan. 17, 1999

First Lieutenant Jan. 17, 2001

Captain Jan. 17, 2003

Major Sep. 1, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel Feb. 1, 2014

Colonel May 1, 2020

**(Current as of July 2020)**