



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL DAVID PIFFARERIO

David Piffarerio is the Command Center Director at Joint Headquarters NORAD/NORTHCOM. Prior to his present assignment, he served as President, National War College Class of 2017, Ft McNair, Washington D.C.

Col. Piffarerio served 13 years in the active duty Air Force in a variety of F-15E and F-22 assignments. After being selected as initial cadre to test the F-22 during follow-on evaluations, he served as F-22 test director at Nellis AFB. In Alaska, he held numerous jobs to include 90th Weapons Officer, 3WG Chief Weapons and Tactics, 90th FS Director of Operations, 302FS Commander and 477FG Commander. He has flown combat missions in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, SOUTHERN WATCH and NOBLE EAGLE. He is the first pilot in the world to reach 1000 flight hours in the F-22 Raptor and is currently the most experienced F-22 pilot in the USAF.



FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: 3,000+

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-15E, F-22A

EDUCATION:

1994 Bachelor of Science, Biology, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala

2004 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2005 Masters of Business Administration, Touro University

2011 Air War College, by correspondence

2012 Naval War and Strategy Course, Naval War College, Newport Rhode Island

2013 Reserve Component National Security Course, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.

2017 Master of Science National Security Strategy, National War College, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Dec 94 - Mar 96: Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training & AT-38 lead, Columbus AFB, Miss.
2. Apr 96 - Dec 96: Student, F-15E Conversion Training, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
3. Jan 97 - Jul 00: F-15E Mission CC and IP, 336th FS, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
4. Jul 00 - Dec 00: Student, F-15E Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
5. Jan 01 - Jul 03: Weapons Officer, 90th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
6. Jul 03 - Aug 07: F-22 Operational Test Pilot, 422nd Test and Eval Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. Aug 07 - Aug 08: Assistant Director of Operations, 302nd FS, JBER, Alaska
8. Sep 08 - Aug-09: 3WG Chief Weapons and Tactics, 3rd OSS, JBER, Alaska
9. Aug 09 - Sep 10: Director of Operations, 90th FS, JBER Alaska

10. Oct 10 - Jan 13: Commander, 302nd FS, JBER, Alaska
11. Jan13 - Mar 15: Deputy Commander 477th Fighter Group, JBER, Alaska
12. Mar 15 - July16: Commander, 477th Fighter Group, JBER, Alaska
13. July 16 - June 17: Student, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C
14. July 17 - present: Command Center Director, NORAD/NORTHCOM, Peterson AFB, CO.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Combat Readiness medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Reserve Forces Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters
National Defense Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Global War on Terror Medal
Korean Defense Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Medal

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