



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT DOUGLAS J. LIERZ

Chief Master Sergeant Douglas J. Lierz is the fifth Command Chief Master Sergeant for the State of Nebraska. He represents the highest level of enlisted leadership and is the principal advisor to the Adjutant General. Chief Lierz is responsible for matters influencing the health, morale, welfare and professional development of all enlisted personnel in the state.



Chief Lierz entered the Air Force in April, 1984. He graduated from the avionics sensor systems specialist course at Lowry AFB, CO. While assigned to the 155th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, he maintained infra-red and optical camera systems on the RF-4C aircraft. In 1992 and 1993, he was temporarily assigned to Torrejon Air Base, Madrid, Spain and Choo Won Air Base, Cheongju, South Korea, where he instructed Spanish and South Korean Air Force members on the RF-4C Navigational Weapons Delivery System. When the 155th converted to KC-135R aircraft in 1994, he was transferred to Operations as a flight scheduler. Chief Lierz competed on the Nebraska National Guard Marksmanship Team and for the United States All Guard Marksmanship Team from 1989 to 2014.

In 1996, Chief Lierz cross-trained to the Base Operations/Airfield Management career field as an Active Guard Reserve. He was appointed as the Air Operations Superintendent and moved to the Chief Enlisted Manager position in May of 2003. He served as the resource advisor to the Commander and managed operating funds as well as pay and allowances for the Operations Group. He has deployed in support of operations DECISIVE ENDEAVOR, NORTHERN WATCH, DENY FLIGHT, JOINT FORGE, NOBLE EAGLE, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. During these operations, Chief Lierz supported flying operations for the KC-135R Tanker in numerous capacities. In 2007, he deployed to Iraq as the Airfield Manager of Baghdad International Airport. Prior to his current assignment, Chief Lierz served as the Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, NE.

EDUCATION

1984 Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
1986 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Course - Correspondence
1986 Associate of Applied Science, Electronics Tech. - Southeast Community College, Neb.
1996 Noncommissioned Officer Academy - Knoxville ANGB, Tenn.
1997 Associates in Avionic Systems Technology – Community College of the Air Force
2000 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy - Correspondence
2006 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course - Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2008 Diversity Champion's Course – Lincoln ANG, Neb.
2010 Bachelor of Science, Business Management - Peru State College, Neb.
2011 National Guard Bureau Chief's Executive Course – Washington, D.C.
2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education - Correspondence
2012 Master of Science, Organizational Management - Peru State College, Neb.
2012 Acquisition Ethics Course - Army Correspondence
2015 Contemporary Base Issues Course - Minneapolis, Minn.
2015 Air National Guard Command Chief Orientation Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
2016 National Guard Bureau Fiscal Law Course - Lincoln ANG, Neb.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1984 - January 1993, RF-4C Avionic Sensor Mechanic, 155th TRG, Lincoln, Neb.
2. January 1993 - January 1994, IT Specialist, Communications Maintenance
3. January 1994 - June 1996, Flight Scheduler, 155th ARW, Lincoln, Neb.
4. June 1996 - May 2003, Base Operations Technician, 155th ARW, Lincoln, Neb.
5. May 2003 - June 2015, Airfield Manager / Ops Superintendent, 155ARW, Lincoln, Neb.
6. June 2015 - August 2016, Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, 155ARW, Lincoln, Neb.
7. August 2016 - Present, State Command Chief Master Sergeant, JFHQ, Nebraska

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with one bronze oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal with four bronze oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Unit Award
Iraq Campaign Medal with one bronze star

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1996 Distinguished Graduate, NCO Academy
1999 National Guard Bureau Chief's 50 Marksmanship Medal
2000 United States Air Force Distinguished Rifleman Badge No. 281
2001 German Federal Armed Forces Schutzenschnur Gold
2002 British Army Queen's Medal for Marksmanship
2006 Distinguished Graduate, Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant - July 2004

(Current as of August 2016)