

# **BRIGADIER GENERAL THOMAS W. RYAN**

## **Assistant Adjutant General, Oklahoma Air National Guard**



Brigadier General Thomas W. Ryan is Assistant Adjutant General, Oklahoma Air National Guard. He is the principle advisor to The Adjutant General for all Oklahoma Air National Guard matters. Brigadier General Ryan additionally is responsible for the combat readiness and operational effectiveness for all Oklahoma Air National Guard units.

Ryan received his commission in 1986 through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Virginia Tech. He has deployed in support of numerous operations

including Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Hurricane Iniki, Restore Hope, Coronet Oak, Joint Forge, Enduring Freedom/Iraqi Freedom and Hurricane Katrina.

### **EDUCATION**

1986 Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, University of Virginia Tech, Blacksburg

1993 Squadron Officer School, in residence

1995 Master of Arts degree in Human Resources Management, Webster University, Saint Louis, Missouri

2002 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2007 Air War College, by correspondence

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. March 1987 - December 1987, Undergraduate Navigator Training, 323rd Flying Training Wing, Mather AFB, California
2. December 1987 - May 1991, C-130H Navigator, 773rd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas (December 1990 - May 1991, Navigator, Saudi Arabia)
3. May 1991 - May 1992, C-130H Instructor Navigator, 773rd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
4. May 1992 - May 1993, Chief, Airspace/Evaluator Navigator, 773rd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
5. May 1993 - May 1996, Tactical Evaluator Navigator, 62nd Airlift Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Arkansas
6. May 1996 - May 1998, C-130H Navigator, 185th Airlift Squadron, Will Rogers ANG Base, Oklahoma (June 1996 - June 1996, Navigator, Bosnia)
7. May 1998 - May 2002, C-130H Evaluator Navigator, 137th Operations Group, Will Rogers ANG Base, Oklahoma
8. May 2002 - December 2008, Air Operations/Combat Plans/Navigator, 137th Airlift Wing, Will Rogers ANG Base, Oklahoma (July 2002 - July 2002, Navigator, Kosovo) (March 2003 - August 2003, Navigator, Saudi Arabia/Qatar) (October 2003 - December 2003, Navigator, Iraq) (February 2006 - May 2006, Tactics Officer, Afghanistan)
9. December 2008 - December 2009, Wing Operations Plans, 137th Air Refueling Wing, Will Rogers Air National Guard Base, Oklahoma
10. December 2009 - September 2010, Commander, 137th Force Support Squadron, Will Rogers Air National Guard Base, Oklahoma
11. September 2010 - January 2014, Commander, 137th Mission Support Group, Will Rogers ANG Base, Oklahoma
12. January 2014 - January 2016, Vice Wing Commander, 137th Air Refueling Wing, Will Rogers ANG Base, Oklahoma
13. January 2016 - Present, Assistant Adjutant General, JFHQ OKANG, Oklahoma Military Department, Oklahoma

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Master Navigator

Flight Hours: More than 6,100

Aircraft flown: C-130E, C-130H, T-37, & T-43

Navigator wings from: Mather Air Force Base, California

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Aerial Achievement Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Meritorious Unit Award with Oak Leaf Cluster  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Combat Readiness Medal with Silver Leaf Cluster and 3 Oak Leaf Clusters  
National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Bronze Star  
Southwest Asia Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Star  
Iraq Campaign Medal with Bronze Star  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Armed Forces Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short Tour  
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border and Oak Leaf Cluster  
Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with Silver Leaf Cluster  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hourglass  
Air Force Training Ribbon  
Kuwait Liberation Medal Government of Kuwait

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

National Guard Association of the United States  
National Guard Association of Oklahoma

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant Dec. 5, 1986  
First Lieutenant Dec. 13, 1988  
Captain Dec. 13, 1990  
Major Oct. 1, 1998  
Lieutenant Colonel Oct. 2, 2002  
Colonel May 24, 2012  
Brigadier General 2016

(Current as of June 2016)