



## COLONEL FRANK D. HORTON

Col Frank Horton is Deputy Wing Commander at 138th Fighter Wing, Tulsa, Oklahoma. As the deputy commander, he assists the wing commander in the organization, training and deployment of the second largest combat coded Air National Guard fighter wing, consisting of nearly 1200 Airmen. The wing is home to the multi-role F-16 Viper, assigned to the 125th Fighter Squadron, which flies more than 2600 sorties and 4000 hours per year. The wing also maintains Detachment 1 at Ellington Field, Texas, executing the Aerospace Control Alert mission. Col Horton assists the wing commander with providing the governor with personnel and equipment to meet state emergencies, national emergencies and on-going force requirements.

Col Horton entered the Oklahoma Air National Guard in January 1990 as an enlisted member. He was commissioned through the Academy of Military Science, Knoxville, Tennessee in March 1996 as a Civil Engineer and served as Deputy Base Civil Engineer with 138th Fighter Wing until October 2002. Col Horton graduated from Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, Oklahoma with a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering Technology Design and has earned a Master's degree in Military Operational Art and Science from Air University. He has extensive combat and deployment experience including tours in Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan; Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan; Kadena Air Base, Japan and Azraq Air Base, Jordan. Prior to his current position, the Colonel was the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Commander after having served for three years as the Maintenance Squadron Commander.



### EDUCATION

- 2005 Bachelor of Science, Industrial Engineering Technology Design, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
- 2012 Squadron Officer School (Correspondence)
- 2019 Air Command and Staff College (Correspondence)
- 2019 Air War College (Correspondence)
- 2018 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1996 – November 2000, Engineering Operations Officer, 138th Civil Engineering Squadron, Tulsa IAP, Okla
2. November 2000 – October 2002, Deputy Base Civil Engineer, 138th Civil Engineering Squadron, Tulsa IAP, Okla
3. April 2010 – Jan 2016, Aircraft Maintenance Officer, 138th Maintenance Squadron, Tulsa IAP, Okla (August 2013 – November 2013, Maintenance Officer, 125th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, Kandahar Air Base, Afghanistan) (October 2015 – January 2016, Maintenance Officer, 125th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan)
4. Jan 2016 – Nov 2018, Commander, Maintenance Squadron, 138th Maintenance Squadron, Tulsa IAP, Okla (April 2018 – August 2018, Commander, 125th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, Bagram AB, Afghanistan)
5. Nov 2018 – April 2022, Commander, Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 138th Maintenance Group, Tulsa IAP, Okla





# BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

6. April 2022 – June 2025, Commander, 138th Maintenance Group, 138th Maintenance Group, Tulsa IAP, Okla
7. July 2025 – Present, Deputy Commander for Sustainment, 138<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, Tulsa IAP, Okla

## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf cluster  
Air and Space Commendation Medal with "C" Device and oak leaf cluster  
Air and Space Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Unit Award  
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award  
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two service stars  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with four oak leaf clusters  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with two hourglasses and two "M" devices  
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with service star  
NATO Medal with service star

## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant, March 21, 1996  
First Lieutenant, March 21, 1998  
Captain, Sep 23, 2007  
Major, December 18, 2012  
Lieutenant Colonel, February 28, 2018  
Colonel, November 30, 2022

(CURRENT AS OF FEBRUARY 2026)

