



Biography

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BRIGADIER GENERAL TERRY A. ETHRIDGE



Director, Joint Staff, Tennessee National Guard

Brigadier General Terry A. Ethridge is Director, Joint Staff, Tennessee National Guard. In this capacity, he reports directly to The Adjutant General for all Joint matters and assists in the external affairs functions including presenting and enforcing National Guard policies, plans and programs. General Ethridge presides over the Tennessee National Guard Joint Staff and represents Army and Air capabilities, requirements, policy, plans and programs in joint operations.

General Ethridge was commissioned Field Artillery from the Middle Tennessee State University Reserve Officers Training Corps program in 1978. He is a graduate of the United States Army Airborne School, Field Artillery Officer Basic and Cannon Battery Officer Courses. He completed the Officer Rotary Wing Aviator Course, the UH-60 Transition Course and the Air Assault Course in 1981. He is a graduate of numerous Battalion and Brigade level courses. Additionally he attended and completed UH-60 Instructor Pilot Course. He was instrumental in the development and fielding of the HH60L MEDEVAC

Helicopter. He worked as the test pilot and instructor pilot during the aircrafts design and development phase. General Ethridge is a 1991 graduate of the Command and General Staff College and completed the United States Army War College in 2006. He has served in numerous positions within the United States Army, Army Reserve and Tennessee Army National Guard.

EDUCATION:

1978 Middle Tennessee State University, Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Administration, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

2006 United States Army War College, Master of Strategic Studies, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2006 United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. August 1978 - April 1979, Assistant Executive Officer, A Battery, 1st Battalion, 39th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

2. April 1979 - October 1980, Fire Direction Officer, A Battery, 1st Battalion, 39th Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
3. October 1980 - November 1982, Platoon Leader, Company B, 158th Aviation Battalion, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
4. November 1982 - August 1983, Operations Officer, Company B, 158th Aviation Battalion, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
5. August 1983 - November 1983, S-2, 158th Aviation Battalion, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
6. November 1983 - December 1983, Assistant S-3, 158th Aviation Battalion, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
7. December 1983 - May 1984, Executive Officer, Company A, 158th Aviation Battalion, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
8. June 1984 - May 1985, Commander, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
9. June 1985 - October 1986, Administration and Logistics Officer/Detachment Commander, 130th Rear Area Operation Center, Smyrna, Tennessee
10. October 1986 - November 1988, S-4, 4th Battalion, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Smyrna, Tennessee
11. December 1988 - September 1991, Platoon Leader, Company D, 107th Aviation, Smyrna, Tennessee
12. October 1991 - February 1992, Deputy Provost Marshall, Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, State Area Command, Nashville, Tennessee
13. March 1992 -April 1996, State Aviation Training Officer, Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, State Area Command, Nashville, Tennessee
14. May 1996 - June 1997, Executive Officer, 4th Battalion, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Smyrna, Tennessee
15. July 1997- July 1998, State Aviation Training Officer, Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, State Area Command, Nashville, Tennessee
16. August 1998 - August 2001, Commander, 4th Battalion, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Smyrna, Tennessee
17. September 2001 - January 2002, Aviation Operations Officer, Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, State Area Command, Smyrna, Tennessee
18. February 2002 - July 2007, Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation, Joint Force Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, Nashville, Tennessee
19. August 2007 - January 2012, Chief of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, Nashville, Tennessee
20. January 2012 - Present, Director of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Tennessee Army National Guard, Nashville, Tennessee

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star Medal
Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)
Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)
Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass and M Device)
Army Service Ribbon
Overseas Service Medal
Army Reserve Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral) 6
North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal
Tennessee National Guard Distinguished Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Tennessee National Guard Commendation Ribbon
Tennessee National Guard War Service Ribbon

Tennessee National Guard Counterdrug Service Ribbon
Tennessee National guard Service Ribbon (with 1 Bronze Service Star and 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Tennessee National Guard Volunteer Ribbon
State of Tennessee Governor's Distinguished Unit Citation
Combat Action Badge
Master Army Aviator Badge
Senior Army Aviator Badge
Army Aviator Badge
Parachutist Badge
Air Assault Badge

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

National Guard Association United States
National Guard Association of Tennessee
Army Aviation Association of America
Military Officer Association of America
American Veterans Association

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 29 August 1978
First Lieutenant 29 August 1980
Captain 1 July 1982
Major 1 October 1991
Lieutenant Colonel 17 November 1997
Colonel 12 February 2002
Brigadier General 23 April 2012

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