



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT WILLIAM B. STANLEY

Chief Master Sgt. William B. Stanley is the ninth Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 186th Air Refueling Wing, Key Field Air National Guard, Meridian, Mississippi. He represents the highest level of enlisted leadership for the wing and is an advisor to the Wing Commander. In this role, he is directly responsible for matters affecting morale, wellness, readiness, training, health, welfare, quality of life, professional development, and proper utilization for the Wing's 900 plus Air Guard members.

Chief Stanley graduated from Air Force basic training in February 1987 and completed the Imagery Interpretation Journeyman Course at Goodfellow Air Force Base. He was assigned to the 153rd Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron. Chief Stanley transferred to the 153rd Aerial Refueling Squadron and completed Initial Boom Operator in September 1992 at Castle Air Force Base. In October 1998 Chief Stanley started working in the RC-26 office with the Counter-drug Program. In October 2008 Chief Stanley was selected to cross train into the MC-12 program as an instructor sensor operator and evaluator with Project Liberty. In January 2012 Chief Stanley cross trained into the C-27 as a Load Master. In October 2013 Chief Stanley transitioned back to the KC-135R as the NCOIC of the Aircrew Training Office. In September 2019 Chief Stanley was transferred to the 186th Medical Group as the Group Superintendent. In September 2021, Chief Stanley returned to the 186th Operations Group as their Senior Enlisted Leader. Chief Stanley has deployed numerous times to multiple theaters. He participated in ALLIED FORGE, DENY FLIGHT, NOBEL EAGLE, ENDURING FREEDON, FREEDOM SENTINEL, IRAQI FREEDOM AND INHERENT RESOLVE.



EDUCATION

- 1989 Baccalaureate Degree, Social Sciences, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS
- 1989 NCO Prep Course, Non-residence
- 2000 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Non-residence
- 2011 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Non-residence
- 2014 Intelligence Studies and Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2014 Aviation Operations, Community College of the Air Force
- 2021 Chief Master Sergeant Course
- 2022 Senior Enlisted Joint PME Course
- 2024 Command Chief Master Sergeant Course

ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1987-March 1987, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. March 1987-September 1987, Student, Technical Training School, Goodfellow AFB, TX
3. September 1987- January 1992, Imagery Interpretation Specialist, 153rd Tactical Recon Sqdn, Key Field ANGB, Miss.
4. January 1992-October 2010 Boom Operator, 153rd Aerial refueling Sqdn, Key Field ANGB, Miss.
5. October 2010 - October 2013, Loadmaster, 153rd Air Refueling Squadron, Key Field ANGB, Miss.
6. October 2013- September 2019, Inflight Refueling Superintendent 186th Operations Group, Key Field ANGB MS.
7. September 2019 - September 2021, Group Superintendent, 186th Medical Group, Key Field ANGB, Miss.

8. September 2021 – 2023, Group Senior Enlisted Leader, 186th Operations Group, Key Field ANGB, MS
9. September 2023 – present, 186 ARW Command Chief Master Sergeant, Key Field ANGB, MS

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Boom Operator

Flight hours: More than 4000

Aircraft flown: KC-135R, KC-135T, KC-135E, C-130H, MC-12, C-12, C-27J

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal

Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with eleven oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star

Kosovo Campaign Medal with Bronze Star

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal with Bronze Star

Humanitarian Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon

Air Force Longevity Service with eight oak leaf clusters

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with silver hourglass with M device

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Rifle) Air

Force Training Ribbon

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Mississippi Magnolia Medal

Mississippi Commendation Medal

Mississippi Medal of Efficiency

Mississippi War Medal with one Bronze Star

Mississippi Emergency Service Medal

Mississippi Longevity Medal with silver cluster

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Mississippi National Guard Enlisted Association, Lifetime Member

Air Force Association, Meridian Chapter

ANG Club Board member, 186th ARW

USAF Boom Operators Association

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class March 11, 1988

Senior Airman September 15, 1990

Staff Sergeant September 22, 1990

Technical Sergeant February 6, 1993

Master Sergeant October 14, 2000

Senior Master Sergeant May 28, 2015

Chief Master Sergeant November 4, 2020

(Current as of March 2025)