



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL ROLF E. MAMMEN

Col Rolf Mammen, 127th Maintenance Group Commander, is stationed at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Michigan. The Maintenance Group is comprised of 455 authorized aircraft maintenance personnel divided into twelve maintenance specialties. Directly responsible for the safe and effective maintenance on 21 assigned A-10C aircraft, including heavy periodic inspections. Accountable for the execution of a multi-million dollar maintenance budget, sets maintenance standardization policy, ensures compliance and is ultimately responsible for technician training and mobilization readiness to support any state or federal higher headquarters tasking.



Col Mammen is a 1986 graduate of Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Astrophysics. He earned his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the US Air Force through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Michigan State University (four year scholarship recipient). He attended the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training (ENJJPT) program at Sheppard AFB, TX. Upon graduation, he was selected to be a First Assignment Instructor Pilot in the T-38 aircraft assigned at the ENJJPT schoolhouse. He taught advanced pilot training to students and instructors representing twelve participating NATO nations. Over the next several years his duties included: Scheduler, Unit Standardization Member, Check Section Pilot, Pilot Instructor Training Instructor Pilot, Assistant Flight Commander, and Squadron Executive Officer. Col Mammen separated from the active Air Force in November of 1994 and joined the Michigan Air National Guard in the same month.

Col Mammen was initially hired in the Michigan Air National Guard as a C-26 Pilot/Aircraft Commander in the 127th Operations Support Squadron. One year later, he was selected to be a C-130 Pilot/Aircraft Commander in the 171st Airlift Squadron where he held positions both as a fulltime technician and drill status guardsman. He has flown numerous operational missions domestically and in the Pacific, European and South American theaters as well. In August of 2000, he was assigned as the 127th Wing Command Post (Airlift) Officer in Charge. In this capacity, he was instrumental in integrating both Airlift and Fighter operations into a single command and control structure for the 127th Wing including the transition to a full time fighter alert mission after September 11th 2001. In February 2004, he was selected as the 127th Wing Inspector General working directly for the commander assessing the readiness, discipline, efficiency and morale of the wing through a responsive complaint resolution process. He deployed to Ali Al Salem AB Kuwait in 2004-2005 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom as the 738th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron's Operations Officer managing the daily C-130 flying operation into Iraq and Afghanistan. In November 2009 Col Mammen assumed command of the 127th Maintenance Squadron guiding the squadron through the BRAC mandated conversion from the F-16C to the A-10C. In April 2011 Col Mammen was selected to be the 127th Maintenance Group Deputy Commander and assumed command of the Maintenance Group in February 2013.

EDUCATION

1986 Bachelor of Science degree in Astrophysics, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
1993 Squadron Officer School (non-residence)
2000 Air Command & Staff College (non-residence)
2005 Air War College (non-residence)

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Jul 1988 - Jun 1991, T-38 Instructor Pilot, 90th FTS, Sheppard AFB, TX
2. Jun 1991 - Nov 1994, T-38 PIT Instructor Pilot, 88th FTS, Sheppard AFB, TX
3. Nov 1994 - Nov 1995, C-26 Pilot/Aircraft Commander, 127th OSS, Selfridge ANGB, MI
4. Nov 1995 - Aug 2000, C-130 Pilot/Aircraft Commander, 171th AS, Selfridge ANGB, MI
5. Aug 2000 - Feb 2004, AMC Command Post OIC, 127th AG, Selfridge ANGB, MI
6. Feb 2004 - Nov 2008, 127th Inspector General, 127th WG, Selfridge ANGB, MI
7. Nov 2008 – Apr 2011, Commander, 127th Maintenance Sq., 127th WG, Selfridge ANGB, MI
8. Apr 2011 – Feb 2013, Deputy Commander, 127th Maintenance Grp., 127th WG, Selfridge ANGB, MI
9. Feb 2013 – Present, Commander, 127th Maintenance Group, 127th WG, Selfridge ANGB, MI

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: 3000

Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38B, C-26A/B, C-130E

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal w/ 2 oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal w/ 1 oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal
Meritorious Unit Award w/ 1 oak leaf cluster
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
National Defense Service Medal w/ 1 device
Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War On Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
AF Longevity Service w/ 5 oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/ Mobility Device
Air Force Training Ribbon
Michigan War on Terrorism Service Ribbon
Michigan Broadsword Service Medal w/ 4 devices
Michigan OCONUS Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

2d Lt 04 Dec 1986
1st Lt 04 Dec 1988
Capt 04 Dec 1990
Maj 01 Oct 1998
Lt Col 24 Oct 2002
Col 17 Jun 2013

CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

Dec 1996 – Oct 2012, United Airlines Pilot, Aircraft Flown: B737-200, B737-300, B757-200, B767-300
(over 10,000 hours flown in above aircraft)