



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT ANTHONY T. COOK

Chief Master Sergeant Anthony T. Cook is the State Command Chief Master Sergeant for the Colorado Air National Guard, Colorado Joint Force Headquarters, Centennial Colorado. He represents the highest level of Air enlisted leadership and is the principle advisor to the Commander of the Colorado Air National Guard. Chief Cook also monitors compliance with Air National Guard and Air Force standards including those standards governing conduct, performance, appearance, and professional military education. He is responsible for matters influencing the health, morale, welfare and professional development of more than 1,500 Colorado Air National Guard members. He is the main liaison between the Assistant Adjutant General for Air and the enlisted force on any concerns of the enlisted force. Chief Cook performs additional duties as outlined and directed by the Assistant Adjutant General for Air.

Entering the Air Force in 1981, Chief Cook served as an Avionics Aerospace Ground Equipment Specialist, supporting the F-4 Phantom aircraft. He completed overseas tours in the Republic of the Philippines and South Korea. In 1985, Chief Cook cross-trained as an F-16 Avionics Intermediate Shop (AIS) specialist, and served in this capacity until the end of his active duty tour in September 1992.



After a 12-year break in service, CMSgt Cook joined the Colorado Air National Guard as an F-16 AIS specialist on September 11, 2004. His primary responsibilities included troubleshooting and repairing F-16 avionics in support of the 140<sup>th</sup> Wing flying operations. While assigned to AIS, CMSgt Cook has deployed in support of operation Iraqi Freedom. He further supported the Wing by volunteering for several stateside and overseas assignments.

In December 2009, CMSgt Cook was selected as the 140<sup>th</sup> Medical Group First Sergeant. CMSgt Cook volunteered to serve an active duty tour in support of Colorado's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosive (CBRNE) Enhanced Response Force Package (CERFP) mission, from February 2012 through September 2013, while still serving as a First Sergeant.

In June 2016, CMSgt Cook was assigned as the Group Superintendent of the 140th Medical Group. In this role, he also served as the 140 Medical Group Detachment 1 Superintendent. His leadership contributed to the success of the Detachment 1, 2016 Exercise Evaluation. In May, 2017, Chief Cook was assigned as the Senior Enlisted Leader of the Joint Staff, Colorado Air National Guard, Centennial, Colorado. In this capacity, he advised the Director of Joint Staff on the readiness of the unit's Soldiers and Airmen and served as a role model for the enlisted force.

### Military Education

- 1984 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Military Course, Nellis AFB NV
- 1988 Associates Degree in Avionics Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 1991 Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School, Nellis AFB NV
- 2009 Noncommissioned Officer Academy (non-residence)
- 2013 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (non-residence)

**Civilian Education**

1990 Bachelor of Science Degree in Education, University of Nevada Las Vegas

**Assignments**

1. April 1982 – August 1984, 3<sup>rd</sup> Component Repair Squadron, Clark AB, Republic of the Philippines
2. September 1984 – November 1985, 31<sup>st</sup> Component Repair Squadron, Homestead AFB, Fla.
3. November 1985 – September 1986 3452 Student Squadron, Lowry AFB, Colo.
4. September 1986 – July 1991, 474 Component Repair Squadron and the 57<sup>th</sup> Component Repair Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
5. August 1991 - August 1992, 8<sup>th</sup> Component Repair Squadron, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
6. September 2004 – Present, Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley AFB, Colo.

**Air National Guard Deployments**

1. August 2006 – September 2006, TSP, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
2. December 2007 – February 2008 Operation Iraqi Freedom, Balad AB, Iraq

**Major Awards and Decorations**

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal, 1 device  
Air Force Achievement Medal, 1 device  
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal 2 devices

**Major State Awards**

Colorado Airman of the Year Award  
Colorado Achievement Ribbon

**Professional Memberships and Affiliations**

Joint Diversity and Inclusion Council member  
CONG Foundation Board Member  
Enlisted Association National Guard of United States  
National Guard Association of Colorado

**Other Achievements**

2011 140 Wing First Sergeant of the Year  
2012 Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States Minute Man of the Year  
2015 140 Wing First Sergeant of the Year

**Effective date of Promotion**

Staff Sergeant – June 1996  
Technical Sergeant – April 2007  
Master Sergeant – January 2010  
Senior Master Sergeant – November 2014  
Chief Master Sergeant November 2016

(Current as of October, 2019)