



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT DARYL K. FORTNER

Chief Master Sergeant Daryl K. Fortner is the is the 108th Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, New Jersey Air National Guard, Joint Base, McGuire-Dix- Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Chief Fortner began his military career in 1984 when he entered United States Marine Corps. After completion of military training, he served as an aircraft maintenance log and records technician, aircraft mechanic, crew chief, and aerial gunner on a CH-46E helicopter before receiving an honorable discharge in February 1988. He enlisted in the New Jersey Air National Guard, 108th Fighter Wing, in April 1988, as a weapons specialist on the F-4E. In 1991, he was assigned to the 108th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron as a crew chief on the KC-135E. Since 2008, he served as the Group Superintendent, 108th Contingency Response Group prior to his current assignment. In his civilian career, Chief Fortner has worked as an aircraft mechanic on various aircraft, and held management positions in corporation. He is currently employed by the Federal Aviation Administration as an Airworthiness Inspector in the Flight Standards Division.



#### EDUCATION

- 1986 Marine Corps Noncommissioned Officer (Correspondence)
- 1986 Marine Corps Aircraft Maintenance NCO (Correspondence)
- 1990 Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Course (Correspondence)
- 1991 Teterboro School of Aeronautics, Airframe and Power Plant Certificate
- 1997 Associate's Degree in Applied Science, Aircraft Systems Maintenance Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 1998 Bachelor of Science Degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology, Thomas Edison State College, Trenton, NJ
- 2001 Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Academy, McGee Tyson Air Force Base, TN
- 2004 Air Force Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, (Correspondence)

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. 1984, USMC Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC
2. 1984, Aircraft Maintenance Administration School, NAS Meridian, MS
3. 1984 - 1985, Aircraft Logs and Records Specialist, MAG-29, MCAS New River, Jacksonville, NC
4. 1985 - 1988, CH-46E Helicopter Mechanic/Crew Chief/Aerial Gunner, HMM-263, MCAS New River, Jacksonville, NC
5. 1988 - 1991, F-4E Weapons Technician, 108th Fighter Wing, McGuire AFB, NJ
6. 1991 - 2005, KC-135E Crew Chief, 108th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, McGuire AFB, NJ
7. 2005 - 2008, Flight Chief, 108th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, McGuire AFB, NJ
8. 2008, Aerospace Maintenance Superintendent, 108th Contingency Response Group, McGuire AFB, NJ
9. 2008 - 2012, Group Superintendent, 108th Contingency Response Group, McGuire AFB, NJ
10. 2012 - Present, Wing Command Chief, 108th Wing, Joint Base-McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (with Valor Device)  
Navy Unit Commendation (with Bronze Star)  
Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation  
Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal  
National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Star)  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal  
Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Armed Forces Service Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (with Bronze Star)  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with 3 M devices and 1 Silver Hourglass)  
New Jersey Ribbon of Honor (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster)  
New Jersey Good Conduct Ribbon (with 4 Clasps)  
New Jersey Desert Storm Support Ribbon  
Louisiana Emergency Service Medal

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Private First Class	3 May 1984
Lance Corporal	1 Nov 1984
Corporal	10 Aug 1986
Senior Airman	23 Apr 1988
Staff Sergeant	14 Sep 1991
Technical Sergeant	22 Nov 1999
Master Sergeant	1 Aug 2002
Senior Master Sergeant	15 Oct 2005
Chief Master Sergeant	6 Aug 2008

(Current as of Aug 2012)