



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

STAFF SERGEANT CHARLES J. GUMBS

Staff Sergeant Charles Gumbs is an Aircraft Fuel Systems Instructor, 372 Training Squadron, Detachment 2, Shaw AFB, South Carolina. Sergeant Gumbs was born on 5 September 1986 on the island of St. Kitts. He is engaged to Christen Simmons and has three kids, two girls Cloe and Colette and one son Charles Jr. He attended Osceola High School in Kissimmee, FL and graduated in 2004. He enlisted in the Air Force and graduated Basic Military Training in September of 2004. Upon completion of basic training he arrived at Sheppard AFB, TX where he completed the Aircraft Fuel Systems course. He has deployed to numerous places around the world to include Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2008 and Operation New Dawn in 2010.

Staff Sergeant Gumbs arrived at his first duty location in December of 2004 at the 43rd Maintenance Squadron at Pope AFB, NC. While there he became proficient on the fuel systems for the C-130 Hercules and the A-10 Thunderbolt. He then came to Shaw AFB in April of 2008. Here he became experienced on the F-16's fuel system.



EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

2009 Airman Leadership School, Shaw AFB, SC
2016 Associate in Applied Science, Aviation Maintenance Technology, Community College of Air Force
2016 Associate in Applied Science, Instr of Tech and Military Science, Community College of the Air Force
2016 Basic Instructor Course Sheppard AFB, TX

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Dec 04 – Apr 08, Aircraft Fuel Systems Journeyman, 43rd Maintenance Squadron, Pope AFB, NC
2. Apr 08 – Feb 15, Aircraft Fuel Systems Craftsman, 20th Component Maintenance Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
3. Feb 15 – Feb 16, Aircraft Fuel Systems Craftsman, 8th Maintenance Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea (ROK)
4. Feb 16 – Present, Aircraft Fuel Systems Instructor, 372d Training Squadron Detachment 2, Shaw AFB, SC

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Commendation medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Meritorious Unit Award w/ three oak leaf cluster
AF Outstanding Unit Award w/ two oak leaf cluster
Iraqi Campaign Medal w/two oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Senior Airman – December 1, 2006
Staff Sergeant – December 1, 2009