



## STAFF SERGEANT KOLTON R. TARANGO

SSgt Kolton R. Tarango is a Munitions Systems Instructor, 372d Training Squadron, Detachment 202, Shaw AFB SC. He is responsible for providing mission essential missile/munitions training for Active-Duty Air Force, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve. He provides training on 3 separate missile systems: AIM-9L/M, AGM-88B/C, AGM-65A/B/D/G/H/K/L.

Sergeant Tarango is from Perryton, Texas. He entered the Air Force in January 2015 as a Munitions Systems Specialist. Over his 9 years of active-duty, Sergeant Tarango has performed the duties of a Storage Crew Member, NCOIC of Conventional Maintenance, Line Delivery Crew Chief, and now as Munitions Systems Instructor.

### EDUCATION:

2015 Munitions Systems Tech School, Sheppard AFB, TX  
2019 Airman Leadership School, RAF Mildenhall, GB  
2019 Combat Plan and Prod (AFCOMAC), Beale AFB, CA  
2021 Associate of Applied Science, Munitions Systems Technology, CCAF  
2023 Air Force Basic Instructor Course, Sheppard AFB, TX



### ASSIGNMENTS:

1. May 2015 – Aug 2016, Munitions Storage Crew Member, 27<sup>th</sup> Special Ops Maintenance Squadron, Cannon AFB, NM
2. Aug 2016 – Aug 2017, Stockpile Management Technician, 51<sup>st</sup> Munitions Squadron, Osan AB, ROK
3. Aug 2017 – Oct 2020, NCOIC, Conventional Maintenance, 752<sup>nd</sup> Special Ops Aircraft Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, GB
4. Oct 2020 – Jan 2023, Line Delivery Crew Chief, 20<sup>th</sup> Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
5. Jan 2023 – Present, Munitions Instructor, 372d Training Squadron, Det 202, Shaw AFB, SC

### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Air Force Commendation Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Force Achievement Medal with 1 "C" Device and 1 Oak Leaf Cluster  
Meritorious Unit Award with 1 Oak Leaf Clusters  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award  
Air Force Good Conduct Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters  
National Defense Service Medal  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with 1 Service Star

### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Staff Sergeant 1 May 2019

