



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### LIEUTENANT COLONEL ELENAH G. KELLY

Lieutenant Colonel Elenah Godbolt Kelly is the Deputy Commander of the 916th Mission Support Group comprised of over 300 civil engineer, communications, force support, logistics readiness, and security forces Airmen on Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel Kelly was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant through Reserve Officer Training Corps, Detachment 600, East Carolina University. Upon graduating, she was assigned to the 43d Services Squadron at Pope Air Force Base, NC. During that time, she held a variety of positions to include Officer in Charge of Lodging, Food Service Officer and Combat Support Flight Commander. Following that assignment, she was assigned as an Action Officer within the Commander's Action Group at Headquarters Air Force Services Agency in San Antonio, TX. She served on active duty until September 2007. She entered the Air Force Reserve in 2012 as the Protocol Officer for the 440th Airlift Wing, Pope Army Airfield, NC. Her Reserve experience also includes duty as the Wing Executive Officer, Yellow Ribbon Program Coordinator and Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Victim Advocate.



Prior to her current assignment, Lieutenant Colonel Kelly was the Commander of the 512th Memorial Affairs Squadron, Dover Air Force Base, Delaware.

#### EDUCATION

2021 Air Force Reserve Command Squadron Commanders Course - Robins Air Force Base, GA  
2019 Air Command and Staff College, Distance Learning - Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL  
2017 Leadership, Today and Tomorrow Seminar - Robins Air Force Base, GA  
2014 Junior Officer Leadership Development Seminar - Joint Base Charleston, SC  
2014 Reserve Officer Development Education Seminar – USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, CO  
2014 Department of Defense Sexual Assault Advocate Certification Program - Maxwell Air Force Base, AL  
2012 Protocol Fundamentals Course- Ira C. Eaker Center for Professional Development, AL  
2011 Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools National Training – CDF Haley Farm, Clinton, TN  
2006 Squadron Officer School– Maxwell Air Force Base, AL  
2005 Master of Arts, Business – Webster University, MO  
2002 Status of Resources and Training System Data Handler Course – Pope Air Force Base, NC  
2001 Air and Space Basic Course – Maxwell Air Force Base, AL  
2001 Services Management Course – Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH  
2000 Reserve Officer Training Corps – Detachment 600, East Carolina University, NC  
2000 Bachelor of Science, Nursing – East Carolina University, NC

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 2001 – June 2003, Food Service Officer, 43d Services Squadron, Pope AFB, NC
2. June 2003 – June 2004, Combat Support Flight Commander, 43d Services Squadron, Pope AFB, NC
3. July 2003 – November 2003, Deputy Commander, 332d Services Squadron, Tallil AB, Iraq
4. June 2004 – September 2007, Action Officer, Headquarters Air Force Services Agency, Randolph AFB, TX
5. September 2006 – January 2007, Chief of Services, Combined Air Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
6. October 2007 – February 2012, Inactive Ready Reserve, ARPC, Buckley AFB, CO
7. March 2012 – November 2013, Wing Protocol Officer, 440th Airlift Wing, Pope AAF, NC
8. December 2013 – January 2016, SAPR Victim Advocate, 440th Airlift Wing, Pope AAF, NC

9. May 2015 - May 2016, Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program Coordinator, 440th Airlift Wing, Pope AAF, NC
10. August 2013 - September 2016, Wing Executive Officer, 440th Airlift Wing, Pope AAF, NC
11. September 2016 - November 2019, Force Support Flight Commander, 560th RED HORSE Squadron, JB Charleston, SC
12. December 2019-April 2023, Commander, 512th Memorial Affairs Squadron, Dover AFB, DE
13. April 2023-Current, Deputy Commander, 916th Mission Support Group, Seymour Johnson AFB, NC

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters  
Air and Space Commendation Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters  
Air and Space Achievement Medal  
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award  
Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award with one oak leaf cluster  
National Defense Service Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal  
Air and Space Longevity Service with three oak leaf clusters  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one hourglass device  
Air and Space Training Ribbon

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2014 440th Airlift Wing Company Grade Officer of the Quarter  
2006 Randolph Air Force Base Small Associate Units Company Grade Officer of the Year  
2006 Air Force Services Agency Company Grade Officer of the Year  
2006 Outstanding Performer, Directorate of Manpower and Personnel, CAOC, Al Udeid Air Base  
2006 Top-Third Graduate and Outstanding Contributor, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base  
2003 43d Services Squadron, Pope Air Force Base, Company Grade Officer of the Year  
2002 43d Airlift Wing, Pope Air Force Base, Company Grade Officer of the Quarter

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	18 January 2001
First Lieutenant	18 January 2003
Captain	5 April 2005
Major	29 May 2014
Lieutenant Colonel	1 October 2020

(Current as of March 2024)