



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### LIEUTENANT COLONEL DANIEL W. SULLIVAN

Lt Col Daniel W. Sullivan is the Commander of Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 290 and Professor of Aerospace Studies at the University of Kentucky (UK). Lt Col Sullivan is responsible for training and developing more than 80 cadets in becoming Air and Space Force professionals and leaders dedicated to serving our Nation. He commands, directs, manages, and administers a college-level training and commissioning program with a seven-person cadre leading a large detachment cadet corps. As the Aerospace Studies Department Chair, he collaborates with UK leadership and staff to ensure program success and development within the College of Arts and Sciences.

Lt Col Sullivan entered military service after graduating from the University of Kentucky and receiving his commission through AFROTC in 2005. Since then, he has held various duty positions at multiple bases, most recently the Deputy Commander of the 5th Operations Group. There he led over 350 combat-ready professionals and a fleet of 27 B-52H bombers to project conventional and nuclear power around the globe supporting two legs of the nuclear triad. Lt Col Sullivan served as the Director of Operations of the 5th Operations Support Squadron leading 197 personnel across 30 different duty specialty codes empowering 57,000 flights, 150 ICBMs, 165,000 alert hours and \$5 billion in Department of Defense assets. He was key to the 5 BW winning the Castle Award for best bomb wing twice in a three-year period. Lt Col Sullivan was the Deputy Branch Chief in charge of the USNORTHCOM Consolidated Command Center (CCC) and a certified Nuclear Command and Control Strike Advisor. He was responsible for developing nuclear strategic courses of action for the Combatant Commander to advise the President and Secretary of Defense in contingency and crisis action events. Additionally, at USNORTHCOM, Lt Col Sullivan was a certified strategic Nuclear Command and Control planner advising six General and Flag officers during all phases of military operations and a Custodian for a \$5.5 million and 2,100 item Positive Control Material account ensuring National Command, Control and Communication. He has been an Assistant Director of Operations twice, a leader in Weapons and Tactics and Flight Scheduling, and a Formal Training Unit instructor.



Lt Col Sullivan is a Distinguished Graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School and an Evaluator Weapon Systems Officer with more than 2,100 hours in the B-52H.

### EDUCATION

2005 Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.  
2006 Air and Space Basic Course, Residence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2012 Squadron Officer School, Residence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2012 Master of Business Administration and Management Degree, Oklahoma State Univ, Stillwater, Okla.  
2014 Distinguished Graduate, U.S. Air Force Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.  
2016 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2022 Air War College, Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 2006 – January 2008, Student Navigator, Undergraduate Combat Systems Officer Training, 562d Flying Training Squadron, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
2. January 2008 – December 2008, B-52 FTU Student Navigator, B-52 Navigator Initial Qualification Course, 11th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana
3. December 2008 – July 2009, B-52 Navigator, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
4. July 2009 – February 2010, B-52 Navigator and 96th Bomb Squadron A1, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
5. February 2010 – November 2010, B-52 Navigator and Weapons and Tactics Officer, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
6. November 2010 – January 2012, B-52 Radar Navigator and Weapons and Tactics Officer, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
7. January 2012 – April 2012, B-52 Radar Navigator and Flight Scheduler, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana

8. April 2012 – August 2012, B-52 Radar Navigator and Assistant Flight Commander of Scheduling, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana  
9. August 2012 – November 2012, B-52 Instructor Radar Navigator and Assistant Flight Commander of Scheduling, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana  
10. November 2012 – February 2014, B-52 Formal Training Unit Instructor Radar Navigator and Flight Commander of Weapons and Tactics, 11th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana  
11. February 2014 – June 2014, USAF Weapons Instructor Course Student, 340th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Bossier City, Louisiana  
12. June 2014 – August 2014, B-52 Formal Training Unit Instructor Radar Navigator and Flight Commander of Weapons and Tactics, 11th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana  
13. August 2014 – June 2015, B-52 Evaluator Weapon Systems Officer and Assistant Director of Operations, 69th Bomb Squadron, Minot AFB, North Dakota  
14. June 2015 – May 2017, B-52 Evaluator Weapon Systems Officer and Assistant Director of Operations, 5th Operations Support Squadron, Minot AFB, North Dakota  
15. May 2017 – July 2018, Joint Nuclear Command and Control Commander, Special Activities Branch, US Northern Command, Cheyenne Mountain AFS, Colorado  
16. July 2018 – February 2019, US Northern Command Nuclear Command and Control Strike Advisor, Special Activities Branch, US Northern Command, Cheyenne Mountain AFS, Colorado  
17. February 2019 – December 2019, Chief of Nuclear Command and Control Training, Special Activities Branch, US Northern Command, Cheyenne Mountain AFS, Colorado  
18. December 2019 – September 2020, Deputy Branch Chief, Consolidated Command Center, Special Activities Branch, US Northern Command, Cheyenne Mountain AFS, Colorado  
19. September 2020 – May 2022, Director of Operations, 5th Operations Support Squadron, Minot AFB, North Dakota  
20. May 2022 – June 2023, Deputy Commander, 5th Operations Group, Minot AFB, North Dakota  
21. June 2023 – Present, Commander, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 290, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Master Combat Systems Officer

Flight hours: 2259 hours

Aircraft Flown: T-43, B-52H

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award

Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with one oak leaf cluster

National Defense Service Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with "N" Device with three oak leaf clusters

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant 26 Dec 2005

First Lieutenant 26 Dec 2007

Captain 26 Dec 2009

Major 01 Mar 2016

Lieutenant Colonel 01 Sep 2020

(Current as of June 2023)