



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



MASTER SERGEANT ROSS D WICKMAN

MSgt Ross D. Wickman is assigned to the 114th Fighter Wing Communications Flight, South Dakota Air National Guard, Sioux Falls, South Dakota as a Cyber Systems Operator. In this role, MSgt Wickman installs, supports, and maintains the installations services and other computer systems. In addition to the operational maintenance of computer systems, MSgt Wickman is responsible for the uninterrupted delivery of information over the network while providing secure communications, data retention, and disaster recovery.

MSgt Wickman enlisted in the United States Air Force South Dakota Air National Guard in 2002 as a Communications Computer Systems Operator. Upon graduation of high school in May 2003, MSgt Wickman attended Basic Training at Lackland AFB, San Antonio TX and Technical School at Keesler AFB, Biloxi MS. Upon completion, MSgt Wickman reported back to the 114th Fight Wing Communications Flight Network Control Center (NCC) as a traditional guardsman. In March of 2008, MSgt Wickman accepted a position as a Civil Service Technician in the 114th Communications Flight where he worked daily to enhance cyber operations for the 114th FW through managing the unit's servers and supporting end user systems. In September 2013, MSgt Wickman deployed to Al Azraq Air Base outside of Aman, Jordan in support of Operation Eagar Lion. Throughout his career, MSgt Wickman has supported the unit while on temporary duty to many CONUS locations, Hickam AFB, and joint exercises in Canada. MSgt Wickman is currently the 114th FW/CF NCC Shop Supervisor.



Additionally, MSgt Wickman has worked in similar information technology roles supporting public sector organizations as well as contracted to support other DOD systems. In these roles, MSgt Wickman supported the transition and migration from physical data centers in to dedicated cloud environments. MSgt Wickman has more than 20 years of I.T. experience managing on-premis systems and more recently focuses primarily on the deployment and architecture of systems in to public cloud environments. Prior to his current position, MSgt Wickman was a Computer Systems Operator for the 114th Fighter Wing Communications Flight, Sioux Falls, SD.

EDUCATION

2003 Diploma, McCook Central High School, Salem, SD
2003 Computer Systems Operations Specialist 3-Level Technical Training, Keesler AFB, MS.
2006 Airman Leader School, Correspondence Program, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL.
2006 Associate in Applied Science, Information Systems Technology, CCAF, Maxwell AFB, AL.
2007 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD.
2018 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Correspondence Program, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL.

ASSIGNMENTS

December 2002 – June 2003, Server Configuration Management Technician, 114th FW/CF, SDANG
June 2003 - July 2003, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, TX
July 2003 - October 2003, Student, Technical Training School, Keesler AFB, Miss.
October 2003 – Present, Cyber Systems Operations, 114th FW/CF, SDANG

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

SD Distinguished Service
SD Distinguished Unit Citation
SD National Guard Service

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Enlisted Association of the National Guard
Air Force Association
SD InfraGard
tre Ministries Board Member, Technology Chair
Amazon Web Services Community Builder

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic, Dec 18, 2002
Airman First Class, May. 24, 2003
Senior Airman, Jan. 1, 2004
Staff Sergeant, Jan. 1, 2007
Technical Sergeant, Apr. 1, 2014
Master Sergeant, June 5, 2020

(Current as of July 2022)