



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT JACQULYN N. RIDER

Senior Master Sergeant Jacquelyn N. Rider is the Aerospace Science Instructor, Johnson High School in Buda, Texas.

Senior Rider retired from the United States Air Force in March 2026 after 22 years of dedicated service. While in the USAF, she held multiple positions at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels of leadership. Her final position was the Religious Affairs Senior Enlisted Leader at United States Special Operations Command in Tampa, Florida.

EDUCATION

2009 Associate's Degree, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2015 Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Thomas Edison State University, Trenton, N.J.

2017 Master of Science in Organizational Leadership, Argosy University, Denver, C.O.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 2004 – June 2006, Chaplain Assistant, 59th Medical Wing, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. June 2006 – June 2008, Chaplain Assistant, 39th Air Base Wing, Incirlik AB, Turkey
3. June 2008 - June 2011, Chaplain Assistant, 319th Air Refueling Wing, Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota
4. June 2011 – October 2013, Military Training Instructor, 322nd Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
5. October 2013 – May 2015, Religious Affairs NCO, 502 Air Base Wing, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas
6. May 2015 – November 2018, Religious Affairs Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge, 50th Space Wing, Schriever SFB, Colorado
7. November 2018 – June 2020, Religious Affairs Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge, 363 Intelligence, Reconnaissance, Surveillance Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia
8. June 2020 – November 2021, Manager Budget & Program Requirements, Air Combat Command Headquarters, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia
9. November 2021 – June 2023, Religious Affairs Senior Enlisted Leader, 627th Air Base Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington
10. June 2023 – March 2026, Religious Affairs Senior Enlisted Leader, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Florida

Deployment History:

CENTCOM Headquarters, MacDill Air Force Base (2010); Kandahar, Afghanistan (2014); Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar (2017, 2023).

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air and Space Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters



Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one service star
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
USAF Basic Military Training Instructor Ribbon
NATO Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class, February 2004
Senior Airman, June 2006
Staff Sergeant, August 2008
Technical Sergeant, October 2017
Master Sergeant, June 2021
Senior Master Sergeant, March 2023

(Current as of August 2026)