



Colonel Michael A. Kenny
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Michael A. Kenny is Deacon at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Lubbock prior to that he was an At Risk Youth Counselor in Levelland Texas for Texas Family and Protective Services. For 13 Years prior to that he was the Senior Aerospace Instructor at Cooper High School in Abilene, Texas. Prior to retiring in 1996 he was in charge of the Nuclear Section for Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe. He was responsible for the Nuclear Forces for 16 Nations, their defense and environmental protection. He was the Group Commander for two B-1 Wings, and was in charge of the Congressional mandated GAO certification of the B-1 Aircraft. He as testified before Congress on the safety of the B-1 Aircraft He was the aero demonstration pilot for both the FB-111 and the B-1 aircraft. He has performed Air shows worldwide and his pilot call sign is "Airshow"

Colonel Kenny graduated from Alamo Heights High School, San Antonio, Texas, in 1964 and East Texas University in 1970, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics. He holds two masters degrees; one in Management from State University of New York, Plattsburgh, New York, and one in National Security and Strategic Studies from Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. The Colonel was Strategic Air Command's first B-1B instructor pilot, and was the commander of the first B-1B squadron at McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas. He led the 28th Bomb Wing to the successful completion of the congressionally mandated Operational Readiness Assessment. He is the only officer to be the Chief Instructor Pilot at both the FB-111 and B-1B Central Flight Instructor Courses. He has over 4,600 flying hours in the FB-111, B-1B, B-52, KC-135, and T-38 aircraft. He accrued 675 combat hours during 118 combat sorties, of which 34 were flown over North Vietnam.

Colonel Kenny and his wife, Allyson, have two children, David and Heather.

Education:

1970 Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics, East Texas University, Commerce, TX
1985 Master of Arts Degree in Management, State University of New York, Plattsburgh AFB, NY
1991 Master of Arts Degree in National Security Studies, Naval War College, Newport, RI

Flight Information:

Rating: Command Pilot
Flight Hours: More than 4,700
Aircraft Flown: FB-111A, B-1B, T-38A, T-39A, B-52D, F-16, F-4, KC-135A,

Major Awards and Decorations:

Legion of Merit
Distinguished Flying Cross with oak leaf cluster
Air medal with six oak leaf clusters
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry