

# North Carolina Air National Guard

## Biography



### Chief Master Sergeant Bruce G. Pickett



Chief Master Sergeant Bruce G. Pickett is the Squadron Superintendent of the 156<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron (AES), 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, North Carolina Air National Guard (NCANG) located at Charlotte Douglas International Airport, Charlotte, North Carolina. He advises the 156<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron Commander on matters influencing the health, welfare, morale and effective utilization of the enlisted members of the 156<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

CMSgt Pickett was born in Omak, Washington (state). He graduated from Henry Foss High School in Tacoma, WA and college at Manatee Community College in Bradenton, Florida.

CMSgt Pickett began his military career by enlisting as Weapons Mechanic in the active duty United States Air Force on 30 June 1975. He attended basic Military training at Lackland Air Force Base (AFB) on 1 July 1975. After basic military training he was assigned to Lowery

AFB, Denver, Colorado for Technical training. Upon completion of Technical training, in January of 1976 he was assigned to Mountain Home AFB, Idaho where he was a member of a weapons loading team on F-111 aircraft. After a year at Mountain Home AFB he volunteered for world-wide duty and was assigned to Spangdahm Air Base, Germany, in June of 1977, for three years. There he was assigned as night shift supervisor for the Gun Shop responsible for the maintenance of F-4 gun systems, and loading of ammunition on to F-4 gun systems. Upon completion of his overseas tour he was assigned to Luke AFB, Arizona. There he loaded and maintained weapons systems for F-15 aircraft, for the last year of his 6 year enlistment. After break in service, Chief Pickett joined a Florida Army National Guard Field Artillery unit and was assigned to a Fire Direction Control Team.

On 13 July 1991, he transferred to the 156 AES, North Carolina Air National Guard in Charlotte, NC.

He has been assigned to the 156 AES his entire NCANG career. He is a traditional guardsman and works full-time for the Charlotte Fire Department.

## **EDUCATION:**

Henry Foss Senior High School, Tacoma, WA  
Noncommissioned Prep Course (Correspondence)  
USAF Noncommissioned Officer Academy, McGee Tyson Air National Guard Base, TN  
USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (Correspondence)  
Associate of Science Degree in Computer Aided Design Drafting, Manatee Community College, Bradenton, FL

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS:**

Enlisted National Guard Association of the United States  
North Carolina Air National Guard Chief's Council  
Noncommissioned Officers Academy Graduate Association  
Air Force Sergeants Association

## **ASSIGNMENTS:**

Jun - Aug 1975	Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
Aug 75 – Jan 76	Lowery Air Force Base, Colorado
Jan 76 – Jun 77	Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho
Jun 77 – Jun 80	Spangdahm Air Base, Germany
Jun 80 – Jun 81	Luke Air Force Base, Arizona
Jun 81 – Nov 90	Separated from the military service
Nov 90 - Jul 91	Florida Army National Guard
Jul 91 – Present	156 <sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Charlotte, North Carolina

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Aerial Achievement Medal  
United States Air Force (USAF) Air Force Commendation Medal with three devices  
USAF Achievement Medal with one device  
USAF Outstanding Unit with Valor Device with two devices  
Combat Readiness Medal with one device  
USAF Good Conduct Medal with one device  
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with four devices  
National Defense Service Medal with one device  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal  
USAF Overseas Ribbon Long  
USAF Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border with two devices  
USAF Longevity Service with four Devices  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one "M" Device  
USAF Noncommissioned Officer Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon  
Small Arms Marksmanship Ribbon

USAF Training Ribbon

Louisiana Emergency Service Medal

North Carolina National Guard Meritorious Service Medal

North Carolina National Guard Commendation Medal

North Carolina National Guard Achievement Medal

North Carolina National Guard State Active Duty Award with two devices

**BADGES:**

Chief Enlisted Medical Corp

Chief Enlisted Aviator Wings

**OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:**

North Carolina Outstanding Guardsman of the Year (E7-E9)

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Senior Airman	13 July 1991
Staff Sergeant	13 September 1993
Technical Sergeant	16 October 1995
Master Sergeant (E-7)	11 January 1999
Senior Master Sergeant (E-8)	30 May 2004
Chief Master Sergeant (E-9)	7 June 2008

**(Biography current as of December 2010)**