



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT CATHRINE M. BECK

Chief Master Sergeant Cathrine M. Beck is the Superintendent, 496th Air Base Squadron, Morón Air Base, Spain. She serves as the principle senior enlisted leader and key advisor to the Commander for issues relating to training, safety, morale, welfare, and quality of life issues affecting a total force of 605 military, civilian, and contracted personnel. Chief Beck is responsible for providing expeditionary force support and projection for in-garrison and transient forces throughout the European and Middle Eastern theaters with Airfield Operations, Logistics, Services, Safety, Communications, Security Forces, Contracting, Chaplain, Civil Engineering, Commander Support Staff,

Finance, and Training encompassing 36 Air Force Specialty Codes. She is also responsible for Base Operations Support-Integration for 850 Special Purpose Marine Ground Task Force Crisis Response-Africa personnel while partnering with the Spanish Air Force's 11th Wing, Unidad Militar de Emergencias, and the Second Air Deployment Support Squadron assuring the finest quality of life for Team Morón

Chief Beck enlisted in the Air Force in April 1994 as a Structural Apprentice. She served in numerous leadership positions within the Civil Engineer community and deployed in support of contingencies as well as humanitarian and combat operations in Italy, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Guyana and Afghanistan. She was stationed at locations in California, South Korea, Nevada, Guam, Florida, New Jersey and Alaska. She also served as a First Sergeant for the 432d Wing/432d Air Expeditionary Wing at Creech Air Force Base, Nevada. Prior to her current assignment, Chief Beck served as the Squadron Superintendent, 354th Civil Engineer Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska.

EDUCATION

1998 Airman Leadership School, Vandenberg AFB, CA

2003 Community College of the Air Force, Construction Trades Technology

2005 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kirtland AFB, NM

2007 ACI Tilt-up Technician, American Concrete Institute

2009 USAF First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell Gunter Annex AFB, AL

2009 Joint Forces Staff College, Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Course

2010 Community College of the Air Force, Human Resource Management

2014 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell Gunter Annex AFB, AL

2016 Columbia Southern University, Occupational Safety & Health Bachelor of Science

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Apr 1994 – May 1994, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, TX
2. May 1994 – Sep 1994, Student, 366th Technical Training Sq, Sheppard AFB, TX
3. Sep 1994 – Feb 2000, Structural Journeyman, 30th Civil Engineer Sq, Vandenberg AFB, CA (Aug – Dec 1996, Structural Specialist, Civil Engineer Flt, 4190th Air Base Sq, San Vito Air Station, Italy; Sep 1998 – Jan 1999, Structural Journeyman, 4413th Civil Engineer Flt, Al Dhafra AB, UAE)
4. Feb 2000 – Feb 2001, Structural Journeyman, 554th RED HORSE Sq, Osan AB, RoK
5. Feb 2001 – Feb 2005, Structural Journeyman, 820th RED HORSE Sq, Nellis AFB, NV (Jan-Jun 2002, 820th Expeditionary RED HORSE Sq, Al Dhafra AB, UAE; Apr-Jul 2003, Structural Craftsman, 1st Expeditionary RED HORSE Gp, Al Udeid AB, Qatar; Jun-Sep 2004, Structural Lead Craftsman, Joint Task Force NEW HORIZONS, Guyana)
6. Feb 2005 – Nov 2005, NCOIC, Structural Team-C, 820th RED HORSE Sq, Nellis AFB, NV
7. Nov 2005 – Jun 2006, Structures NCOIC, 554th RED HORSE Sq, Osan AFB, RoK
8. Jun 2006 – Jan 2007, Chief of Planning, 554th RED HORSE Sq, Osan AFB, RoK
9. Jan 2007 – Mar 2009, NCOIC, Structures, 554th RED HORSE Sq, Anderson AFB, Guam
10. Mar 2009 – Mar 2011, First Sergeant, 11th Reconnaissance Sq, Creech AFB, NV
11. Mar 2011 – Mar 2013, First Sergeant, 432d Maintenance Sq, Creech AFB, NV
12. Mar 2013 – Sep 2014, Command Operations Program Manager, HQ AFSOC, Hurlburt Field, FL (Sep 2013-Feb 2014, Camp Commandant/Civil Engineer Superintendent, 701st Expeditionary Special Operations Support Sq, Bagram Air Field, Afghanistan)
13. Sep 2014 – Jun 2016, Operations Flight Superintendent, 1st Special Operations Civil Engineer Sq, Hurlburt Field, FL
14. Sep 2014 – Jun 2016, Superintendent, 87th Civil Engineer Sq, Joint Base MDL, NJ
15. Oct 2017 – Jul 2019, Superintendent, 354th Civil Engineer Sq, Eielson AFB, AK
16. Jul 2019 – present, 496th Air Base Squadron Chief Enlisted Manager, Morón AB, Spain

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with bronze star
Iraq Campaign Medal with bronze star

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1994 – Honor Graduate, Apprentice Structural Specialist Course, Sheppard AFB, TX
1996 – Senior Airman Below-the-Zone
1998 – Distinguished Graduate, Airman Leadership School, Vandenberg AFB, CA
2005 – John L. Levitow Award, NCO Academy, Kirtland AFB, NM
2014 – Distinguished Graduate, SNCO Academy, Gunter Annex, AL
2014 – Maj Gen William D. Gilbert Award, AFSOC, Hurlburt Field, FL

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant - Sep 2017

(Current as of Aug 2019)