

<u>Special Operations Command Europe</u> Major General Steven G. Edwards, USAF Commander

Prior to assuming command of U.S. Special Operations Command Europe (SOCEUR) on June 27, 2022. Maj Gen Steven G. Edwards most recently served as Chief of Staff, Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He developed and implemented, policies, plans and programs for the strategic planning and operational execution of forces in support of U.S. European Command (USEUCOM) and U.S. Africa Command (USAFRICOM).



Maj Gen Edwards has spent a significant portion of his career in special operations, including

combat deployments in support of operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. In addition to stateside postings, he has served in Germany, the United Kingdom, South Korea and Qatar.

Maj Gen Edwards was born and raised in Missoula, Montana. After serving in the Army for four years as a warrant officer, he received his commission through the Officer Training School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He is a command pilot with more than 3,800 flying hours.

His military and civilian education include a Master of Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Master of Military Operational Art and Science from the Air Command and Staff College, Master of Airpower Art and Science from the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Master of Strategic Studies the U.S. Army War College, and a Bachelor of Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross with "V" device, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster and Joint Service Commendation Medal.

Major General Edwards is joined by his wife Alissa and their children Tyler, Cade, and Luke.