

## **MSgt Mike Richter**



Master Sergeant Michael Richter is a trumpet player in the United States Air Force Band of Flight, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

A native of Lake Ronkonkoma, New York, Sergeant Richter earned his Bachelor degree in Music Performance from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh where he studied with renowned trumpeter George Vosburgh. Sergeant Richter frequently performed with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the Westmoreland Symphony Orchestra, and the Three Rivers Brass Quintet. Sergeant Richter joined the United States Air Force in July 2001, reporting to the Band of the Air Force Reserve at Robins Air Force Base, Georgia. While at Robins, he performed with the Brass Quintet and as the principal trumpet of the Concert and Ceremonial Bands. In 2009, Sergeant Richter transferred to the US Air Forces in Europe Band at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, where he served as Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Wings of Dixie. Sergeant Richter joined the Band of Flight in 2011.

### **EDUCATION**

1999 Bachelor's Degree Music Performance, Duquesne University  
2005 Airman Leadership School, Robins AFB, GA  
2010 NCO Academy, Kapaun Air Station, Germany  
2011 Associate's Degree, Music, Community College of the Air Force  
2016 SNCOA, Maxwell Air Force Base-Gunter Annex, AL

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Robins AFB, GA Sep 2001-Aug 2009
2. Ramstein AFB, Germany, Aug 2009-Jul 2011
3. Wright-Patterson AFB, OH Aug 2011-Present

### **AWARDS**

2004 AFRC Public Affairs Achievement Award, Outstanding Band Airman  
2004 Air Force Reserve Command Airman of the Year  
2005 Distinguished Graduate, Airman Leadership School  
2015 AFSA Kittyhawk Chapter 751 Band Member of the Year  
2016 AFSNCOA CMSgt Richard L. Etchenberger Team Award Class 16-F  
2016 USAF Band of Flight SNCO of the Year

### **DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal, second oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal, first oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Good Conduct Medal, fifth oak leaf clusters  
National Defense Service Medal

Global War On Terrorism Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Airman First Class - July 2001

Senior Airman - December 2003

Staff Sergeant - July 2005

Technical Sergeant - July 2008

Master Sergeant - April 2013