

Major General Darryl A. Williams

Commander, U.S. Army Africa



Commissioned as a second lieutenant of field artillery upon graduation from the United States Military Academy in 1983 and the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course at Fort Sill, Okla., Maj. Gen. Darryl A. Williams served as an executive officer and fire direction officer in the 1st Battalion, 76th Field Artillery, and platoon leader and assistant operations officer in 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Infantry Division, Schweinfurt, Germany.

Upon completion of the Field Artillery Officer Advance Course, Maj. Gen. Williams served as an assistant operations officer for the XVIII Airborne Corps Artillery and battery commander for the 3rd Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment at Fort Bragg, N.C., during which he deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He earned a Master of Arts in leadership Development at the United States Military Academy, and then served as the I-2 Company Tactical Officer, United States Corps of Cadets.

Maj. Gen. Williams completed the Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., earning a Master of Military Art and Science. His next assignments included G-3 plans officer on the 4th Infantry Division (4ID) staff; operations officer for the 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery, Fort Hood, Texas; Army Aide to the President of the United States, 1998-2000 and commander, 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery, 4ID, Fort Hood, Texas.

Upon completion of command, Maj. Gen. Williams served as the Fourth Regimental Tactical officer at West Point, N.Y. After earning a Master of Science degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in Newport, R.I., he was assigned as the Chief of Exercises, G-3 for U.S. Army Europe, in Heidelberg, Germany.

Maj. Gen. Williams then commanded 1st Armored Division Artillery in Baumholder, Germany, and after two years of command, he inactivated the DIVARTY, and deployed to Iraq in support of OIF with 1st Armored Division, as the fires and effects coordinator.

Upon redeployment, Maj. Gen. Williams served as the deputy director for Comprehensive Soldier Fitness, HQDA G-3/5/7 and commanding general, U.S. Army Warrior Transition Command and the Assistant Surgeon General for Warrior Care and Transition.

Maj. Gen. Williams served as the deputy commanding general for support, 2nd Infantry Division, Republic of Korea, and most recently served as the Deputy Chief of Staff G3/5/7, USAREUR, in Wiesbaden, Germany.

Maj. Gen. Williams' awards and decorations include; Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with five Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal, The Parachutist Badge, Presidential Service Badge, and the Army Staff Identification Badge.