

## General Ronald R. Fogleman, United States Air Force, Retired

### Military Biography:

General Ron Fogleman retired from the USAF after 34 years of active commissioned service. On his final tour of duty General Fogleman served as the 15<sup>th</sup> Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Prior to that assignment he was Commander in Chief of the U.S. Transportation Command (CINCTRANS). As Chief of Staff, he served as the senior uniformed officer responsible for the organization, training and equipage of 750,000 active duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian forces serving in the United States and Overseas. As a member of the JCS, he served as a military advisor to the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council and the President.

General Fogleman is an active pilot with an extensive background in fighters, mobility aircraft and general aviation. He has flown over 8,900 total hours. His fighter experience included operational tours in the F-100, F-4, F-15, F-16 and A-10. He served two tours in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War flying 315 combat missions and logging 806 hours of combat fighter time. On his first tour he flew 80 missions as a Misty Fast FAC. While serving as USCINCTRANS and Commander of the Air Mobility Command he was inducted into the Order of the Sword and flew mobility aircraft in support of humanitarian and contingency operations on six continents. Other senior command positions held includes Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Forces Korea; Commander 7<sup>th</sup> Air Force and Commander Air Component Command of the US/ROK Combined Forces Command; Commander 836<sup>th</sup> Air Division; and Commander of the 56<sup>th</sup> FW. General Fogleman's staff experience saw a heavy emphasis on long-range programming and strategic planning. While serving as Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, he hosted the first world-wide conference of air chiefs. He is a 1963 graduate of the USAF Academy, has a master's degree in military history and political science from Duke University and is a graduate of the Army War College.

### Flight Information:

Ratings: Command Pilot, Parachutist, Missilecr  
Flight Hours: More than 8900, including 806 combat hours  
Aircraft Flown: Over 60 types, operational tours in the T-37, T-33, F-100, F-4, F-15 F-16, A-10, C-21, and C141  
Pilot wings from: Republic of Korea, Romania and Thailand

### Major Military Awards and Decorations:

Defense Distinguished Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Distinguished Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Army Distinguished Service Medal  
Navy Distinguished Service Medal  
National Aeronautics and Space Agency Public Service Medal (2)  
Silver Star  
Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster  
Distinguished Flying Cross with V device oak leaf cluster  
Purple Heart  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Medal with 17 oak leaf clusters  
Aerial Achievement Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Vietnam Service Medal with three service stars  
Korean Defense Service Medal  
Legion of Honor, with Rank of Commander, France  
Order of National Security Merit, Kooksun, Republic of Korea  
Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm  
Venezuelan Air Force Cross, First Class  
Knight Grand Cross, First Class, of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand  
Grand Cordon, First Class, of the Rising Sun, Japan  
Royal Order, First Class, of the Polar Star, Sweden  
Legion of Merit, System of Cooperation among American States



### Post-Military Service:

General Fogleman is currently the Chairman of the Board of Tactical Air Support Inc., Chairman of Million Air FBO, Chairman of Runback Election Services and serves as a board member on Black Mountain Investments. He has chaired and served on the boards of numerous public and private corporations. He devotes considerable time to national security and community affairs. He is a member of the Falcon Foundation, Airlift Tanker Association, Council on Foreign Relations, and the Air Force Association. Since retiring from the Air Force he has served on the Defense Policy Board, The National Aeronautics and Space Administration Advisory Council, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory Advisory Board, chaired an Air Force Laboratory study on directed energy weapons, chaired a National Research Council Committee on Aeronautics Research and Technology for Vision 2050: An Integrated Transportation System, served on the NASA Mars Program Independent Assessment Team, the congressionally directed Commission to Assess United States National Security Space Management and Organization, the NASA Shuttle Return to Flight Task Group and the Independent Assessment Panel to Examine the Management and Organization of National Security Space Assets. He lectures on leadership, international affairs and military issues and has published numerous articles on air and space operations.

### Major Post-Military Career Awards:

Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame Inductee, 1998  
USAF Distinguished Graduate Award, 2001  
Gathering of Eagles Inductee 1998, 2013, 2025  
National Wrestling Hall of Fame Inductee, 2006  
Airlift Tanker Association Hall of Fame Inductee, 2013  
USAF Character and Leadership Award, 2014  
Air Force Historical Foundation Spaatz Award, 2015  
Air Force Association Lifetime Achievement Award, 2017  
National Aviation Hall of Fame Inductee, 2018  
Commemorative Air Force Aerospace Leadership Award, 2022