



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT STEPHEN T. VAN MIL

Chief Master Sergeant Stephen Van Mil is the Senior Enlisted Leader at Space Delta 13, JB Andrews, Maryland. He serves as principle enlisted leader to the Commander leading the Space Force education ecosystem encompassing professional military education and professional partnerships education for 16,000 Guardians. Additionally, he advises on matters affecting the utilization, development, enhancement, and quality of life for 121 Guardians and Airmen across 5 geographically separated locations. Space Delta 13 is the premier space educator in the Department of Defense developing Guardians, joint, and allied mission partners to prevail in combat operations within the space domain and support of national interests.

Chief Master Sergeant Van Mil is from Cincinnati, Ohio and enlisted in the United States Air Force in October 2002. After completing Basic Military Training in December 2002, he attended technical training at Keesler AFB, Mississippi. Since then, Chief Van Mil has performed many duties in the electronics maintenance and cyber career fields, including supporting the RC-135 Rivet Joint, E-3A Sentry, and various intelligence collection systems. He has been stationed at locations in United Kingdom, Alaska, Germany, Texas, and Ohio. Chief Van Mil has deployed multiple times with North Atlantic Treaty Organization in support of Operation RESOLUTE SUPPORT in Afghanistan and Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR in Libya. In 2021, he enlisted the United States Space Force as the newest branch of the Department of Defense stood up where he helped stand up the Enterprise Talent Management Office as the Enlisted Functional Assignment Manager. Prior to Chief Van Mil's current position, he served as Staff Senior Enlisted Leader at Headquarters National Space Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.



EDUCATION

- 2002 Computer, Network, Switching and Cryptographic Systems Apprentice Course, Keesler AFB, MS
- 2004 RC-135 Rivet joint Ground Data Processing Center Course, RAF Mildenhall, UK
- 2006 Sun Microsystems Maintenance Course, Ft Huachuca, AZ
- 2007 Airman Leadership School, Elmendorf AFB, AK
- 2008 Associate Degree, Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2010 Bachelors of Science, Computer Science, Regis University, Denver, CO
- 2010 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, Phase I (correspondence)
- 2015 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
- 2017 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (correspondence)
- 2018 Masters of Science, Information Assurance, University of Maryland, MD
- 2020 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, Phase II (correspondence)
- 2023 USSF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Peterson SFB, CO
- 2024 Space 300, Peterson SFB, CO





ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 2002 – December 2002, Trainee, Basic Military Training, 331 Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. December 2002 – June 2003, Student, Computer, Network, Switching and Cryptographic Systems, 338 Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
3. June 2003 – June 2005, Communications-Electronics Technician, 488 Intelligence Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom
4. July 2005 – July 2009, Mission Infrastructure Technician, 381 Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
5. July 2009 – July 2013, AWACS Mission Systems Technician, NATO E-3A Component, Geilenkirchen Air Base, Germany
6. July 2013 – July 2015, Cyber Transport Supervisor, 381 Intelligence Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
7. July 2015 – September 2017, NCOIC, Cyber Transport, 301 Intelligence Squadron, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
8. September 2017 – May 2019, Section Chief, Network Management, 691 Cyber Operations Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
9. May 2019 – February 2021, Superintendent, Network Services, 531 Intelligence Squadron, JB San Antonio-Lackland, Texas
10. March 2021 – June 2022, Functional Assignment Manager, Cyber, Enterprise Talent Management Office, JB San Antonio-Randolph, Texas
11. June 2022 – August 2024, Senior Enlisted Leader, 73 Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Squadron, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. August 2024 – January 2026, Staff Senior Enlisted Leader, Headquarters National Space Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. January 2026 – present, Senior Enlisted Leader, Space Delta 13, JB Andrews, Maryland

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with 1 oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal with 3 oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air and Space Commendation Medal
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air and Space Achievement Medal
Coast Guard Arctic Service Medal
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with 1 service star

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2004 Distinguished Graduate, RC-135 Rivet Joint Ground Data Processing Center course
2015 Distinguished Graduate, NCO Academy
2016 SNCO of the Year, 301 Intelligence Squadron
2019 SNCO of the Year, 691 Cyber Operations Squadron
2020 SNCO of the Year, 531 Intelligence Squadron

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class October 22, 2002
Senior Airman February 22, 2005
Staff Sergeant April 1, 2007
Technical Sergeant November 1, 2013
Master Sergeant May 1, 2017
Senior Master Sergeant October 1, 2021
Chief Master Sergeant February 1, 2025

(Current as of February 2026)

