# COL. JAMES E. "JIM" RANDALL USAF RETIRED

Roanoke, Virginia

Born and raised in Rosnoke.

#### 1944

 Accepted for pilot training. Sworn into the Army Air Force Reserves. March

#### 1945

· Graduated from Addison High School

 Called to active duty and sent to Keesler AFB for basic training August

 Completed training, and took leave. Returned from leave. Transferred to Tuskegee Army Air Field.

#### 1946

 Assigned to the Office of the Chief of Safety while awaiting assignment to a flying class.

 Called to personnel. Informed that all flight training had been terminated.

· Discharged at Fort Meade, MD February 22

· Enrolled in Hampton Institute September

#### 1949

- Assigned to Randolph AFB, TX for basic pilot training as an Aviation Cadet
- Reported to Las Vegas Army AFB, NV September

#### 1950

 Graduated as a fighter pilot flying the P-51 Mustang March

# 1950-1952

 Completed instructors school and instructed basic flying at Perrin AFB, TX and P-51 Advance Flying Training at Craig AFB, AL

# 1952-1953

- Assigned to the 18th Fighter Bomber Group in Korea flying 65 missions in the F-51.
- Reassigned to the Korean Air Advisory Group teaching Koreans to fiv the F-51.
- . Flew 10 missions for the Republic of Korea Air Force

# 1953-1957

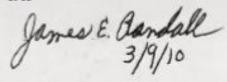
Assigned to the 1737th Ferrying Squad, Dover, DE.
 Flying T-6,F-51,F-84, E,G,F,RF,T33, RT33, B25,and
 T39. Flew eight trips across the North Atlantic to Europe.

#### 1057-1050

Assigned to Nellis AFB and became an F-100 instructor
 1959-1962

 Assigned to Spangdahlem AB, Germany as an F-100 pilot and officer in charge of the alert facility.

1963





Reported to Headquarters 9th AF Shaw Air Force Base
 1964-1972

- Flew the F-105 as Operations Officer assigned to 562nd.
  Tact Fighter Squadron, McConnell AFB, Ransas
- While on Temporary Duty in Southeast Asia, was shot down on 44th mission
- Tested the F-111 as Operations Officer assigned to Nellis AFB
- Flew an F-111 at 2.4 times the speed of sound
- · Vice Commander Task Force Alpha in Thailand

# 1972-1976

 Assigned Headquarters Air Defense Command-Colorado Springs, CO

# 1976-1978

\*Base Commander Tyndall AFB, FL

# 1978-1980

 Chief of Safety HDQ Air Defense Command; Colorado, Sprines

# 1980

 Retired after 31.5 years and over 7300 hours of flying time.

# Military Education

- · All weather jet instrument school
- Squad Officers' School
- \* Air Command and Staff College
- \* Fighter Weapons School

Resides with wife Essie, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.