



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL ALAN P. LURIE

Retired July 01, 1987

Brigadier General Alan P. Lurie is commander of the 25th Air Division, Tactical Air Command, McChord Air Force Base, Wash.

General Lurie was born in 1933, in Cleveland and graduated from Cleveland Heights High School in 1951. He graduated from Ohio State University in 1955 with a bachelor of arts degree in history and was commissioned a second lieutenant through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program. The general completed Squadron Officer School in 1961 and the Air War College in 1976.

After pilot training at Moore and Goodfellow Air Force bases, Texas, General Lurie was assigned to the 6500th Operations Squadron at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., in March 1957. In 1959 he transferred to the 6550th Operations Squadron, Patrick Air Force Base, Fla. From May 1961 to July 1962 he served as victor alert duty officer and command post controller, 47th Bombardment Wing, Royal Air Force Station Sculthorpe, England.



For the next three years he was assigned as a pilot with the 480th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 366th Tactical Fighter Wing, Phalsbourg Air Base, France, deploying with the squadron to Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. In February 1966, when the squadron deployed to Da Nang Air Base, Republic of Vietnam, he served as an F-4C aircraft commander. General Lurie was shot down in June 1966 and held as a prisoner of war in North Vietnam until his release in February 1973. Prior to his capture he flew 75 combat missions in F-40s.

The general served as commander of the 20th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron at George Air Force Base, Calif., from March 1973 until July 1975. Upon graduation from the Air War College in June 1976, he moved to Headquarters Tactical Air Command at Langley Air Force Base, Va. While there he was the command's inspector general inspection team chief, chief of the readiness initiatives group and director of electronic warfare operations.

In August 1978 he was assigned as deputy commander for operations, 366th Tactical Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. From August 1979 to June 1981 General Lurie commanded the 58th Tactical Training Wing, Luke Air Force Base, Ariz. He then took command of the 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas, and in June 1982 was named 12th Air Force's deputy chief of staff for operations at Bergstrom. The general transferred to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., in November 1982 and commanded the 836th Air Division until assuming his present duties in

September 1984.

A command pilot with more than 5,000 flying hours, General Lurie has flown T-33s; B-57s; C-131s; A-26s; F-84s; T-38s; F-4C's, D's, E's and F's; F-111A's; F-104s; A-10s; and F-15s. His military decorations and awards include the Silver Star, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal with "V" device and two oak leaf clusters, Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, Vietnam Service Medal with two service stars, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. General Lurie was awarded German air force Command Pilot Wings. He also wears the Missile Badge.

He was promoted to brigadier general Aug. 1, 1983, with same date of rank.

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