Major General David G. Clarkson

Major General David G. Clarkson is Chief of Staff, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, IL. USTRANSCOM is the single manager for global air, land, and sea transportation for the Department of Defense.

General Clarkson entered the Army in 1982 as a distinguished military graduate of Appalachian State University's ROTC program. Upon graduation from the Signal Officer Basic and Radio Systems Officer Courses, he was assigned as Platoon Leader, 67th Signal Battalion at Fort Gordon, later serving as Battalion Maintenance Officer. His key assignments include Company Commander, 846th Transportation Company deployed



to Saudi Arabia and Iraq for Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, Division Training Officer and Aide de Camp to Commanding General, 120th ARCOM, Battalion Executive Officer and Battalion Commander, 535th Military Police Battalion. After serving as the Chief of Operations for the 87th Division, he commanded the 641st Regional Support Group, and then served as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations (G3) 81st Regional Readiness Command.

General Clarkson assumed General Officer duties assigned to the U.S. Army Materiel Command as Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations in August of 2008. He was then assigned as the first Commanding General for the Army Reserve Sustainment Command in September 2009. Deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the Deputy Commanding General, 1st Sustainment Command (Theater) in December 2010, he served in both Kuwait and Afghanistan. General Clarkson most recently served as Assistant Deputy Commanding General for Reserve Affairs, Army Materiel Command at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

EDUCATION

- 1982 Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC
- 1982 Signal Officer Basic Course, Fort Gordon, GA
- 1987 Transportation Officer Advanced Course, Fort Eustis, VA
- 1994 U.S Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS (non-resident)
- 1999 Senior Military Police Officers Course, Fort Leavenworth, KS (non-resident)
- 1999 Master of Business Administration, University of Phoenix, AZ
- 2005 Master of Science in Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, PA
- 2012 Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, NDU, Norfolk, VA

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster)
Bronze Star Medal
Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf
Clusters) Army Achievement Medal
Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal
National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Star)
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Parachutist Badge

Combat Action Badge

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Military Order of Saint Christopher – Army Transportation Corps Distinguished Member of the Regiment– Army Transportation Corps General Brehon B. Somervell Medal – Army Combined Arms Sustainment Command