

## **GENERAL (RET.) STANLEY A. MCCHRYSTAL**

A transformational leader with a remarkable record of achievement, General Stanley A. McChrystal was called “one of America’s greatest warriors” by Secretary of Defense Robert Gates. A retired four-star general, he is the former commander of U.S. and International Security Assistance Forces (ISAF) Afghanistan and the former commander of the premier military counter-terrorism force, Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC). He is best known for developing and implementing the current counter-insurgency strategy in Afghanistan, and for creating a comprehensive counter-terrorism organization that revolutionized the interagency operating culture.



The son of Major General McChrystal, GEN McChrystal graduated from West Point in 1976 and joined the infantry. He began his military career as a platoon commander in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Over the course of his career, he held several leadership and staff positions in the Army Special Forces, Army Rangers, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division and the XVIII Army Airborne Corp and the Joint Staff. He is a graduate of the US Naval War College and he completed fellowships at Harvard’s John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1997 and at the Council on Foreign Relations in 2000.

After 9/11 until his retirement in 2010, General McChrystal spent more than 7 years deployed to combat in a variety of leadership positions. In 2002, he was the chief of staff for military operations in Afghanistan. A year later he was selected to deliver nationally televised Pentagon briefings about military operations in Iraq. From 2003 to 2008, McChrystal commanded JSOC where he led the US Military’s counter-terrorism efforts all over the world. From the summer of 2008 until June of 2009, General McChrystal was the Director of the Joint Staff. In June of 2009, the President of the United States and the Secretary General of NATO appointed General McChrystal to be the Commander of US Forces Afghanistan and NATO ISAF. His command included more than 150,000 troops from 45 allied countries. On August 1 of 2010 General McChrystal retired from the US Army.

General McChrystal is a senior fellow at Yale University’s Jackson Institute for Global Affairs where he teaches a course on Leadership in Operation. He sits on the board of the Yellow Ribbon Fund, Navistar International Corporation and JetBlue. He is also the Chairman of the Aspen Institute’s Franklin Project, dedicated to promoting national service initiatives among American youth.

General McChrystal co-founded the McChrystal Group in January of 2011 where he is currently a partner. McChrystal Group’s mission is to deliver innovative leadership solutions to American businesses to help them transform and succeed in challenging and dynamic environments.

General McChrystal resides in Alexandria, Virginia with his wife of 35 years, Annie.



# United States Army

General STANLEY A. MCCHRYSTAL

**Retired Aug 01, 2010**



SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE USMA

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

United States Military Academy – BS – No Major  
United States Naval War College – MA – National Security and Strategic Studies  
Salve Regina University – MS – International Relations

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses  
United States Naval Command and Staff College  
Senior Service College Fellowship - Harvard University

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) Spanish

<u>PROMOTIONS</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
2LT	2 Jun 76
1LT	2 Jun 78
CPT	1 Aug 80
MAJ	1 Jul 87
LTC	1 Sep 92
COL	1 Sep 96
BG	1 Jan 01
MG	1 May 04
LTG	16 Feb 06
GEN	11 Jun 09

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Nov 76	Feb 78	Weapons Platoon Leader, C Company, 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Feb 78	Jul 78	Rifle Platoon Leader, C Company, 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Jul 78	Nov 78	Executive Officer, C Company, 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Nov 78	Apr 79	Student, Special Forces Officer Course, Special Forces School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Apr 79	Jun 80	Commander, Detachment A, A Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Jun 80	Feb 81	Student, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia
Feb 81	Mar 82	S-2/S-3 (Intelligence/Operations), United Nations Command Support Group-Joint Security Area, Korea

**GEN McChrystal, Stanley A.**

Mar 82 Nov 82 Training Officer, Directorate of Plans and Training, A Company, Headquarters Command, Fort Stewart, Georgia

Nov 82 Sep 84 Commander, A Company, 3d Battalion, 19th Infantry, 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Georgia

Sep 84 Sep 85 S-3 (Operations), 3d Battalion, 19th Infantry, 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Georgia

Sep 85 Jan 86 Liaison Officer, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia

Jan 86 May 87 Commander, A Company, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia

May 87 Apr 88 Liaison Officer, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia

Apr 88 Jun 89 S-3 (Operations), 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia

Jun 89 Jun 90 Student, Command and Staff Course, United States Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island

Jun 90 Apr 93 Army Special Operations Action Officer, J-3, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD/STORM, Saudi Arabia

Apr 93 Nov 94 Commander, 2d Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Nov 94 Jun 96 Commander, 2d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington

Jun 96 Jun 97 Senior Service College Fellowship, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Jun 97 Aug 99 Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia

Aug 99 Jun 00 Military Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York

Jun 00 Jun 01 Assistant Division Commander (Operations), 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina to include duty as Commander, Combined Joint Task Force-Kuwait, Camp Doha, Kuwait

Jun 01 Jul 02 Chief of Staff, XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, Fort Bragg, North Carolina to include duty as Chief of Staff, Combined Joint Task Force-180, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan

Jul 02 Sep 03 Vice Director for Operations, J-3, The Joint Staff, Washington, DC

Sep 03 Feb 06 Commanding General, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Feb 06 Jun 08 Commander, Joint Special Operations Command/Commander, Joint Special Operations Command Forward, United States Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Aug 08 Jun 09 Director, The Joint Staff, Washington, DC

Jun 09 Jun 10 Commander, International Security Assistance Force/Commander, United States Forces Afghanistan, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan

**GEN McChrystal, Stanley A.**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
S-2/S-3 (Intelligence/Operations), United Nations Command Support Group-Joint Security Area, Korea	Feb 81 - Mar 82	Captain
Army Special Operations Action Officer, J-3, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD/STORM, Saudi Arabia	Jun 90 - Jan 92	Major
Chief of Staff, Combined Joint Task Force-180, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan (No Joint Credit)	May 02 - Jul 02	Brigadier General
Vice Director for Operations, J-3, The Joint Staff, Washington, DC	Jul 02 - Sep 03	Brigadier General
Commanding General, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina	Sep 03 - Feb 06	Brigadier General/Major General
Commander, Joint Special Operations Command/Commander, Joint Special Operations Command Forward, United States Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina	Feb 06 - Jun 08	Lieutenant General
Director, The Joint Staff, Washington, DC	Aug 08 - Jun 09	Lieutenant General
Commander, International Security Assistance Force/Commander, United States Forces Afghanistan, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Jun 09 - Jun 10	General

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Army Special Operations Action Officer, J-3, Joint Special Operations Command, OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD/STORM, Saudi Arabia	Jun 90 - Mar 91	Major
Commander, Combined Joint Task Force-Kuwait, Camp Doha, Kuwait	Apr 01 - Jun 01	Brigadier General
Chief of Staff, Combined Joint Task Force-180, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	May 02 - Jul 02	Brigadier General
Commander, International Security Assistance Force/Commander, United States Forces Afghanistan, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Jun 09 - Jun 10	General

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Defense Distinguished Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster)  
 Distinguished Service Medal  
 Defense Superior Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster)  
 Legion of Merit (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Bronze Star Medal  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Army Commendation Medal  
 Army Achievement Medal  
 Expert Infantryman Badge  
 Master Parachutist Badge  
 Ranger Tab  
 Special Forces Tab  
 Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge