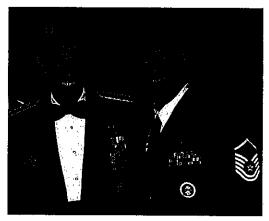
#### **BIOGRAPHY**



#### Msgt Oscar Rodriguez

Master Sergeant Rodriguez pictured with Chief of staff of the Air Force General Schwartz. General Schwartz was in attendance of Master Sergeant Rodriguez Graduation from Senior Non-Commissioned Officers Academy Birmingham, Alabama.

Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez is a Section Chief for the 349<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Generation Squadron, Travis Air Force Base California. He is responsible for the morale, welfare, training and discipline of more than 75 enlisted men and women.

Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez was born February 22, 1961, in Laredo Texas and graduated from Mt. Eden High School in June 1979. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in late October 1980 and reported to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, for basic military training, continuing on to Kessler Air Fore Base Mississippi for formal avionic training and education in his primary duties as a Inertial Navigational Systems Specialist. In 1986 he started a handyman service in the California central valley. His first job was collecting household garbage; 13 years later he was the General Contractor hired to build a multi-million dollar hotel. He currently holds a contracting license in the state of California.

#### PROFESSIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION

1984 USAF Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School, Norton Air Force Base, Ca. 1995 USAF Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kessler Air Force Base, Ms. 2008 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

#### PROFESSIONAL CIVILIAN EDUCATION

Currently holds three contracting licenses of which each requires 4 years of vocational education to obtain. This represents 12 years of vocational education.

- B-1 General Contractor
- C-10 Electrical Contractor
- C-54 Tile and Granite Contractor

#### RECENT ACHIVEMENTS

2001 Handpicked to serve as a member of the Travis Air Force Base Honor Guard. A special set of criteria must be met prior to selection; a potential member of the Honor Guard must be fully qualified with their primary military occupation. Master Sergeant Rodriguez is a fully qualified seven level Guidance and Control Specialist consistently maintaining all primary and ancillary training, additionally the individuals character must be above reproach, physically fit, display the upmost of military bearing, have a deep devotion to duty and a strong sense of dedication.

2002 Called to Active Duty to serve in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

2002 During his activation was recognized for his outstanding performance and awarded the 349<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Group\* Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the forth quarter. 2002 Awarded the 349<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Group\* Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the year.

2006 Awarded the 349<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing\*\* Honor Guardsman of the Forth quarter. 2006 Awarded the 349<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing\*\* Honor Guardsman of the year, making him the first ever to obtain both Senior Non Commissioned Officer of the Year and Honor Guardsman of the Year in the history of Travis Air Force Base.

2006 Awarded the 349<sup>th</sup> James Ernest Award for Base Honor Guardsman of the year, and is the only non Honor Guard Instructor/Trainer ever awarded this prestigious award.

#### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

#### **DEVICES** (additional times awarded)

#### Air Force Commendation Metal

The Air Force Commendation Medal may be awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States below the grade of Brigadier General who, while serving in any capacity with the Air Force, distinguish themselves by heroism, outstanding achievement, or by meritorious service not of a sufficient nature to justify a higher award.

#### Air Force Achievement Metal

The Air Force Achievement Medal may be awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States (and to foreign military personnel) below the grade of colonel who, while serving in any capacity with the Air Force distinguish themselves by outstanding achievement or meritorious service but not to the extent that would warrant the award of a Commendation Medal.

#### AF Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device

The Air Force Outstanding Unit Award was authorized by Department of the Air Force General Order 1, Jan. 6, 1954. It is awarded by the Secretary of the Air Force to numbered units which have distinguished themselves by exceptionally

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meritorious service or outstanding achievement that clearly sets the unit above and apart from similar units, the services include; performance of exceptionally meritorious service, accomplishment of a specific outstanding achievement of national or international significance, combat operations against an armed enemy of the United States, or military operations involving conflict with or exposure to hostile actions by an opposing foreign force.

#### Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Metal

The medal is awarded for a period of four continuous years service computed from the date of assignment to a training category A, B or D for individuals with a beginning date before July 1, 1972. For individuals with a beginning date after June 30, 1972, the length of service requirement is three continuous years of service. Award the medal to individuals who accrue at least one year, but less than three years, toward award of the medal and terminate their enlisted Reserve status as a commissioned or warrant officer, regardless of the beginning eligibility date. Creditable service ends when called to active duty. A period of more than 24 hours between Reserve enlistments counts as a break in service. Credit must begin anew after the break. An active duty period is not a break in service.

#### **National Defense Service Metal**

The National Defense Service Medal was awarded for honorable active service for any period between 27 June 1950 and 27 July 1954; between 1 January 1961 and 14 August 1974; between 2 August 1990 and 30 November 1995 and between 11 September 2001 and a closing date to be determined. For the purpose of the award, the following persons will not be considered as performing active service:

#### Global War on Terrorism Service Metal

Authorized to be awarded to soldiers who have participated in or served in support of Global War on Terrorism Operations outside the designated areas of eligibility (AOE) for the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, on or after 11 September 2001 to a date to be determined. Initial award of the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal (GWOTSM) will be limited to airport security operations (from 27 September 2001 through 31 May 2002) and soldiers who supported Operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

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#### **AF Longevity Service**

The Department of the Air Force General Order 60, Nov. 25, 1957 authorized this ribbon. It is awarded to all service members of the U.S. Air Force who complete four years of honorable active or reserve military service with any branch of the United States Armed Forces.

# Armed Forces Reserve Metal with silver hour glass and 1 'M' Device

Awarded for honorable and satisfactory service as a member of one or more of the Reserve Components of the Armed Forces of the United States for a period of 10 years within a 12-year period. Upon completion of the fourth 10-year period, a gold hourglass followed by a bronze hourglass shall be awarded. Awarded for mobilization on or after 1 August 1990, to members called to active duty and served under Title 10, United States Code (USC) (Defense Department) or Title 14 USC (Coast Guard) or the member volunteered and served on active duty in support of US Military operations or contingencies designated by the Secretary of Defense. The "M" device is worn to indicate mobilization. Subsequent mobilizations are denoted by the wear of a number to indicate the number of times mobilized. No hourglass is worn unless authorized under the above paragraph.

# USAF Non Commissioned Officer Professional Military Education Graduation Ribbon

This award, authorized by the Secretary of the Air Force, 28 August 1962, is awarded to graduates of the following certified NCO PME schools (NCO Preparatory Course, Airman Leadership School, NCO Leadership School, NCO Academy, SRNCO Academy. Graduation from each successive level of PME entitles the member to an oak leaf cluster. Do not award the ribbon to members who only complete the correspondence courses or similar training conducted by other military services except for in-residence completion of the U.S. Army Sergeant Major Academy, Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, or Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Academy. Authorized Device: Oak Leaf Cluster

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This ribbon was authorized by the Secretary of the Air Force on Aug. 28, 1962. It is awarded to all U.S. Air Force service members who, after Jan. 1, 1963, qualify as "expert" in small-arms marksmanship with either the M-16 rifle or issue handgun. These rules will apply to the Air Force standard service small arms weapon selected. Qualifications as "expert" in both weapons after June 22, 1972, shall be denoted by a bronze service star worn on the ribbon.

- \* The 349th Maintenance Group meets the responsibility of aircraft maintenance and consists of the following squadrons. The 349th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 349th Component Maintenance Squadron, 349th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, 349th Maintenance Operations Flight, 349th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, 749th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and the 945th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, which makes up the largest group within the 349th Air Mobility Wing.
- \*\*The 349th Air Mobility Wing is the associate reserve partner of the 60th Air Mobility Wing--the largest air mobility organization in the Air Force. As a reserve partner, the 349th works alongside 60th AMW personnel, operating and maintaining the all-jet fleet of 26 C-5 Galaxy cargo and 27 KC-10 Extender refueling aircraft. 349th AMW members work in all capacities with active duty personnel, to include Operations, Maintenance, Mission Support, Maintenance and Medical.



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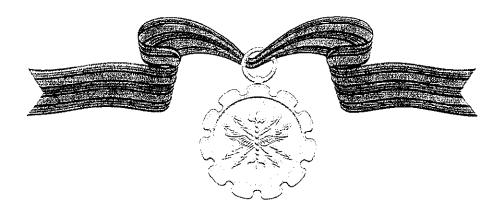
MSgt Oscar Rodriguez

July - September 2006

**OUTSTANDING HONOR GUARD MEMBER OF THE QUARTER** 

Command Chief Master Sergeant PATRICIA A. THORNTON, CMSgt, USAFR

Commander THOMAS M. GISLER, JR, Brig Gén, USAFR



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

### THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)
HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

#### MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIGUEZ, JR.

FOR

#### MERITORIOUS SERVICE 15 JANUARY 1997 TO 6 AUGUST 2001

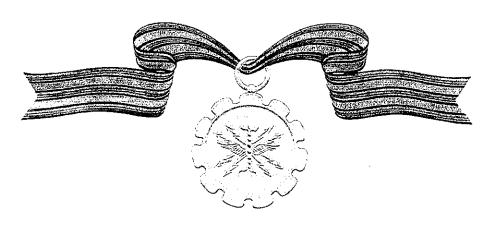
#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Jr. distinguished himself by meritorious service as Crew Chief, 349<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Generation Squadron, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, Sergeant Rodriguez continually provided calm and methodical leadership, creating confidence throughout his subordinates. Additionally, he helped to improve interoperability between United States and Egyptian coalition forces by overcoming numerous maintenance hurdles while still ensuring the successful launch of an Exercise BRIGHT STAR mission. The outstanding professional skill, knowledge and leadership of Sergeant Rodriguez has aided immeasurably to the effectiveness and success of the 349th Aircraft Generation Squadron. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriguez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND 20 MAY 2002

JAMES T. RUBEOR Colonel, USAFR





THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

# THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER) HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

#### MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIQUEZ, JR.

FOR

#### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 14 OCTOBER 2001 TO 23 NOVEMBER 2002

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

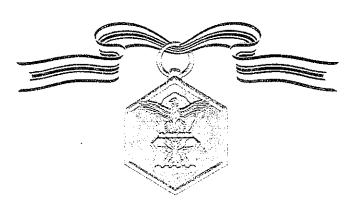
Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriquez, Jr., distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as a member of the Honor Guard, 349<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, the dedication, professionalism and hard work of Sergeant Rodriquez resulted in high praise from Fourth Air Force and the Air Force Reserve Command. Sergeant Rodriquez performed in honors and ceremonies for distinguished persons, military funerals and memorial services, change of command ceremonies and numerous civilian programs, parades and celebrations. The positive attitude and cooperation displayed by Sergeant Rodriquez has directly contributed to the unparalleled success of the Honor Guard program. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriquez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND 14 NOVEMBER 2002

JAMES T. RUBEOR Colonel, USAFR

Commander, 349<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing





THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

#### THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

# MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIGUEZ, JR.

FOR

# OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 1 JANUARY 2003 TO 22 NOVEMBER 2003

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

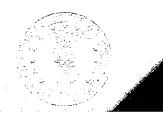
Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez Jr distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as a member of the Honor Guard, 349th Air Mobility Wing, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, the exemplary leadership, outstanding foresight and tireless efforts of Sergeant Rodriguez resulted in high praise from Fourth Air Force and the Air Force Reserve Command. Sergeant Rodriguez has performed in honor and ceremonies for distinguished persons, military funerals and memorial services, change of command ceremonies and numerous civilian programs, parades and celebrations. Sergeant Rodriguez not only maintains the highest standards of personal appearance and a positive attitude, but also is tasked in attending training, mastering the drill and knowing traditional formation ceremonies and protocol. The Honor Guard is an immensely significant resource to the Air Force not only because of their role during military formations, but also because of their roles as our ambassadors in our local community. Sergeant Rodriguez truly exemplifies the perfect blend of leadership qualities in terms of commitment, understanding and determination. The positive attitude and cooperation displayed by Sergeant Rodriguez has directly contributed to the unparalleled success of the Honor Guard Program. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriguez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

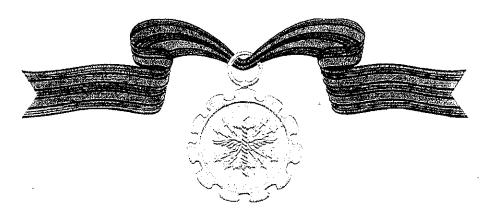
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND

THOMAS M. GISLER, JR.

Brigadier General, USAFR,







THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

# THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER) HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

### MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIGUEZ, JR.

FOR

#### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 23 NOVEMBER 2003 TO 1 NOVEMBER 2004

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS** 

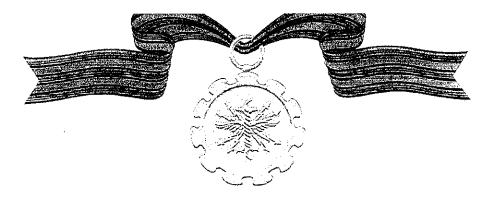
Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Jr. distinguished himself by outstanding achievement while assigned to the 349th Air Mobility Wing's Honor Guard, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, Sergeant Rodriguez's dedication, professionalism and hard work during his tenure on the Honor Guard team was outstanding. He performed in numerous events which resulted in high praises from Fourth Air Force and the Air Force Reserve Command. Sergeant Rodriguez participated in honors and ceremonies for distinguished persons, military funerals and memorial services, change-of-command ceremonies, parades and celebrations. Each member must maintain the highest standards of personal appearance, a positive attitude, attend practice trainings, master drills and know traditional formation ceremonies and protocol. The positive attitude and cooperation displayed by Sergeant Rodriguez directly contributed to the unparalleled success of the Honor Guard program and the positive and enormous public presence. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriguez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND 15 DECEMBER 2004

THOMAS M. GISLÉR, JR.

Brigadier General, USAFR





THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

# THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER) HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

## MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIGUEZ, JR.

FOR

#### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 2 NOVEMBER 2004 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Jr. distinguished himself by outstanding achievement while assigned to the Honor Guard, 349th Air Mobility Wing, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, Sergeant Rodriguez' dedication, professionalism and hard work during his tenure on the Honor Guard team was outstanding. He performed in numerous events which resulted in high praise from Fourth Air Force and the Air Force Reserve Command. Sergeant Rodriguez participated in honors and ceremonies for distinguished persons, military funerals and memorial services, change-of-command ceremonies, parades and celebrations. He must maintain the highest standards of personal appearance, a positive attitude, attend practice trainings, master drills and know traditional formation ceremonies and protocol. The positive attitude and cooperation displayed by Sergeant Rodriguez directly contributed to the unparalleled success of the Honor Guard program and the positive and enormous public presence. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriguez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND

2 DECEMBER 2005

THOMAS M. GISLER, JR.

Brigadier General, USAFR





THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

# THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL (FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

#### MASTER SERGEANT OSCAR RODRIGUEZ, JR.

FOR

#### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 1 OCTOBER 2005 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2006

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Master Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Jr., distinguished himself by outstanding achievement while assigned to the 349th Air Mobility Wing's Honor Guard, Travis Air Force Base, California. During this period, Sergeant Rodriguez's dedication, professionalism and hard work during his tenure on the Honor Guard team was outstanding. He performed in numerous events which resulted in high praises from Fourth Air Force and the Air Force Reserve Command. Sergeant Rodriguez participated in honors and ceremonies for distinguished persons, military funerals and memorial services, change-of-command ceremonies, parades and celebrations. Each member must maintain the highest standards of personal appearance, a positive attitude, attend practice trainings, master drills and know traditional formation ceremonies and protocol. The positive attitude and cooperation displayed by Sergeant Rodriguez directly contributed to the unparalleled success of the Honor Guard program and the positive and enormous public presence. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Rodriguez reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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30 NOVEMBER 2006

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