

Kenneth R. Israel
Major General, USAF Retired

Ken Israel recently retired from Lockheed Martin as the Vice President of the Situational Awareness Office within the Corporate Engineering and Technology Organization. In this role Ken was responsible for developing operational architectures and technical solutions to maximize the mission effectiveness of various Global Command and Control, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C2ISR) enterprise systems.



Ken served in the United States Air Force for 32 years, retiring from active duty in August 1998 as a Major General. He finished his career as the Director of the Defense Airborne Reconnaissance Office (DARO) in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Following his retirement from the Air Force, Ken served over three years as an Associate and Corporate Officer at Burdeshaw Associates Limited. Ken was a Senior Navigator, Space Executive and a Level III Acquisition Professional. Ken was the first Air Force Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Command, Control & Communications Programs. He was also responsible for establishing the Intelligence & Communications (IC) and the Tactical Exploitation of National Capabilities (TENCAP) Offices at Electronic System Center, Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts. General Israel has commanded maintenance, operations and acquisition units at squadron, wing and DOD levels. He was awarded the Theodore Von Karman Award for Science & Engineering, the DIA's Director Award and the National Reconnaissance Office Director's Award. Ken is also the 2011 Recipient of the Association of Old Crows (AOC) Gold Medal Award. Ken was recently elected to the AOC Board of Directors beginning in 2013.

Ken holds a Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry from Baylor University and a Masters Degree in Systems Management from the University of Arkansas. Ken currently supports the Defense Science Board Task Force and is an active member of the Association of Old Crows Board of Directors. He is married to Annetta Aldrich of Pampa, Texas. They have a son, Kenneth Jr. who is attending George Mason University for his Advanced Degree in Journalism.

Ken retired from Lockheed Martin on 8 April 2012 after serving with distinction as a Corporate Vice President. Lockheed Martin celebrates its 100th year Anniversary in 2012 and is the lead United States Defense Aerospace Corporation. Ken & Annetta now reside at 4887 Hampton Oak Court, Clemmons, North Carolina, 27012.

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