

RON MUMM BIOGRAPHY



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Ron Mumm is passionate about aviation. His story is one of pursuing that passion with commitment, determination and many amazing relationships. His background in high performance jet aviation is extensive.

For the last 18 years, Ron has led Business Aviation operations for High-Net Individuals, Family Offices, and Fortune 50 Corporations. He is the Owner and Managing Director of Raven Aviation LLC, a Chicago-based Aviation Management Company. In addition to his leadership responsibilities, he is also an International Captain on the Global Express aircraft. He has flown to most corners of the world.

His distinguished aviation background also includes F-15 and F-16 fighter pilot, operational test pilot, instructor pilot, and *Thunderbird* pilot. He is a graduate of the prestigious USAF Fighter Weapons School. He is type-rated with broad flight experience in Bombardier, Cessna, Dassault, and Gulfstream aircraft. He still actively flies a Cirrus SR22, and was previously, and proudly, an SR22 owner.

Born in Birmingham, Alabama, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management from Auburn University. He later earned a Masters degree in Business Administration from Troy University. Always entrepreneurial, Ron led several business ventures during his school years. That life-experience and those experiences gained in the Air Force provided an extensive background in high performance teams...and led to his selection to the Air Force's highest performing team—the *Thunderbirds*.

Ron was selected as *Thunderbird #1*, where he commanded the US Air Force *Thunderbird* team, and also flew as the lead pilot in every demonstration. He performed before more than 20 million people in the USA, Canada, the Pacific, and in Europe.

Ron's ability to inspire teamwork from others continues with his charitable involvement with the Make-a-Wish Foundation, the United Way, the March of Dimes, and the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. He has served on the National Board of Advisors for the Museum of Aviation and also on the Flight Safety Foundation's Corporate Advisory Committee. He is a fervent aviation advocate and mentor.

Ron also is a frequently requested motivational speaker and lights the afterburners with his energy. When he speaks, he speaks from the heart with warmth, humor and a southern charm. His unique gift is real-life stories with a fast paced, high-risk backdrop that will touch the audience's heart, mind and soul. Colleagues have recognized his special qualities with numerous awards for leadership, patriotism, and humanitarian causes. The Air Force awarded him the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Ron is married to Heidi (34 years), has a son (30), a daughter (28), and 4 grandchildren.