



GENERAL ANDREW P. IOSUE

Retired Aug. 31, 1986.

General Andrew P. Iosue (pronounced Oz-way) is commander, Air Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas. The command is responsible for recruiting Air Force personnel and providing them military, technical and flying training.

General Iosue was born in 1927, in Somerville, Mass. He graduated from Everett (Mass.) High School in 1945 and then attended the University of Massachusetts where he received a bachelor of science degree in bacteriology in 1951.

Concurrent with graduation he was commissioned as a second lieutenant through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program. He entered active duty in July 1951 as a medical service officer with primary duty as a bacteriologist at Westover Air Force Base, Mass. General Iosue next entered flight training. He received his pilot wings in March 1954 at Reese Air Force Base, Texas, and completed training at Mather Air Force Base, Calif., in September 1954. He then was assigned to the 36th Air Rescue Squadron, Johnson Air Base, Japan.

From July 1957 to August 1960, he was an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. The general subsequently returned to operational duties with the 354th Tactical Fighter Wing at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C. In June 1963 General Iosue received his initial assignment in tactical airlift, when he joined the 317th Troop Carrier Wing at Evreux Air Base, France, flying C-130s. He moved with the wing, in 1964, to Lockbourne Air Force Base, Ohio, where he remained until July 1966 as a C-130 instructor pilot and chief of wing training. General Iosue then spent four years as chief of the Rated Officer Assignments Section for the Air Force Military Personnel Center at Randolph Air Force Base.

In July 1970 he went to the Republic of Vietnam and commanded the 504th Tactical Control Group at Cam Ranh Bay Air Base. The unit was responsible for the forward air controllers in Southeast Asia. In May 1971 he became commander of the 374th Tactical Airlift Wing at Ching Chuan Kang Air Base, Taiwan. Highlights of this assignment included developing and

implementing a C-130 low-level drop system in support of operations at An Loc, Republic of Vietnam, in May 1972; flying more than 200 combat missions while in Southeast Asia; and in January 1973, in support of the release of American prisoners of war, flying the first U.S. Air Force aircraft to land at Gia Lam Airport in Hanoi, in 19 years.

From June 1973 to July 1975, General Iosue was assigned as deputy director of personnel programs, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. He later became director. He was then named commander of the U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service and deputy chief of staff, recruiting for Air Training Command at Randolph Air Force Base.

General Iosue took command of the Air Force Military Training Center, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, in September 1976. In April 1979 he returned to Air Force headquarters as deputy chief of staff for manpower and personnel. He assumed his present command in June 1983.

The general is a command pilot with more than 6,500 flying hours and wears the Parachutist Badge. His military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation Emblem with oak leaf cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Ribbon with oak leaf cluster and Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm.

General Iosue received an honorary doctor of aeronautics degree from Embry-Riddle University, Prescott, Ariz., in December 1983 and an honorary doctor of laws degree from the University of Akron, Ohio, in May 1985.

He was promoted to general July 1, 1983, with same date of rank