

# AVIATION WALL OF HONOR

## **Tech. Sgt. Michael Kemp**



Michael Kemp is the son of Bruce Kemp of Negaunee and Carole Kemp of Palmer. He was born on September 25, 1964, in Ishpeming. He graduated from Negaunee High School in 1982 and enlisted in the Air Force in April 1983.

After specialty training in aircraft maintenance, he was assigned to Clark Air Base in the Philippines as an F-4E/G crew chief. In March 1985, Kemp was assigned to the

353<sup>rd</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, 353<sup>rd</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Unit at Myrtle Beach, SC, as an A-10 crew chief. Shortly after this assignment, he was accepted for flight engineer training.

In July 1995, he was reassigned to the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Squadron at Travis Air Force Base in California, where he completed his career as a KC-10 evaluator flight engineer.

Kemp was highly decorated and participated in several military operations including Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Southern Watch, Desert Strike and, most recently, Enduring Freedom.

He has earned associate degrees in aircraft maintenance, aviation operations and instructor of technology and military science. He has also earned his airframe and power plant license, private pilot license, and is 90 percent complete with his instrument rating.

Kemp and his wife, Sylvie, live in Vacaville, CA. He is now employed as a second officer with Omni Air International Airlines and is pursuing a career as a pilot.