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Lieu de naissance :

Clearwater, Fla

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Formation :

BA/BS	BS, US Mil Acad, 1966
MA/MS	MSEE, Air Force inst. Techn., 1970 MBA, University of Colorado, 1975
PhD	
Law degree (JD...)	
ROTC¹	
Autre	

Profession initiale :

¹ n'est pas une formation mais un programme pour entrer dans l'armée

Carrière :

1966 : commd. lt., USAF,
1966 – 68 : project engr., Electronics Systems Div., Bedford, Mass.,
1969 : advanced through grades to capt., USAF
1970 – 73 : asst. prof. astronautics, USAF Acad., Colorado Springs.,
1973 – 75 : sec.-treas., v.p., R.A.D. Inc., Colorado Springs.,
1975 – 78 : mgr. estimating dept. Ft. Worth div., Gen. Dynamics.,
1978 – 82 : mgr. pricing, corp. hdqrs., St. Louis, Gen. Dynamics.,
1982 – 87 : v.p. contracts, estimating, Land Systems div. Gen. Dynamics, Sterling Heights, Mich.,
1987 – 91 : v.p. bus. devel., Land Systems div. Gen. Dynamics, Sterling Heights, Mich.,
1991 – 92 : corp.v.p., gen. mgr. Space Systems Div., Gen. Dynamics, San Diego.,
1992 – 1994 : pres., corp. v.p. Space Systems Div., Gen. Dynamics, San Diego.,
1994 – 1997 : v.p., gen. mgr. space launch systems, Lockheed Martin Astronautics.,
1997 – 1999 : sr. v.p. for internat. planning & bus. devel., Gen. Dynamics.,
2001 – 2005 : prin. under sec. acquisition, tech. & logistics, US Dept. Def., Washington.,
2005 : under sec. for acquisition, tech. & logistics, US Dept. Def., Washington.,
2005 – 2008 : sec. Dept. Air Force, US Dept. Def., Washington.,
consultant

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• **Stepped down as Secretary of the Air Force June 20, 2008.**

Michael W. Wynne is the Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C. He is the 21st Secretary and was confirmed on Nov. 3, 2005. He is responsible for the affairs of the Department of the Air Force, including the organizing, training, equipping and providing for the welfare of its nearly 370,000 men and women on active duty, 180,000 members of the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve, 160,000 civilians, and their families. With an annual budget of approximately \$110 billion, he ensures the Air Force can meet its current and future operational requirements.

Prior to assuming his current position, Mr. Wynne served as Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, and Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics. In these positions he was the principal adviser to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense for all matters relating to acquisition, research and development, and logistics management.

Before entering public service, Mr. Wynne was involved in venture capital, nurturing small technology companies through their start-up phase as a member of the NextGenFund Executive Committee. He also served in executive positions within two companies. These companies were in the field of Travel (IXATA), and Logistics (Extended Reach Logistics).

In 1999 Mr. Wynne had retired as Senior Vice President from General Dynamics,

where his role was in International Development and Strategy. He had rejoined the company at the invitation of the Chairman to strengthen international activities. In between working with General Dynamics, he spent three years with Lockheed Martin, having sold the General Dynamics' Space Systems Division to then Martin Marietta. He successfully integrated the division into the Astronautics Company and became the General Manager of the Space Launch Systems segment, combining the Titan with the Atlas Launch vehicles. Mr. Wynne spent a total of 23 years with General Dynamics in various senior positions with the Aircraft (F-16s) and Main Battle Tanks (M1A2) Divisions, and served on the corporate staff prior to becoming the President of Space Systems, including Launch Vehicles (Atlas and Centaur), and a Corporate Vice President.

Mr. Wynne graduated from the U.S. Military Academy and served in the Air Force for seven years, ending his career as a captain and assistant professor of astronautics at the U.S. Air Force Academy. Mr. Wynne has published numerous professional journal articles relating to engineering, cost estimating and contracting.

EDUCATION

1966 Bachelor of Science degree in general engineering, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.
 1970 Master's degree in electrical engineering, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
 1975 Master's degree in business, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

CAREER

CHRONOLOGY

1. June 1966 - June 1973, Air Force officer
2. July 1973 - June 1975, Principal, Research Analysis and Development (RAD), Inc.
3. July 1975 - May 1994, various executive positions within General Dynamics, retired as President, Space Systems
4. May 1994 - March 1997, General Manager, Space Launch Systems, Lockheed Martin Astronautics, Denver, Colo.
5. July 1997 - October 1999, Senior Vice President, General Dynamics, Falls Church, Va.
6. December 2000 - July 2001, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, IXATA Group, San Diego, Calif.
7. July 2001 - October 2005, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Washington, D.C. (May 2003 - April 2005, also served as acting Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics)
8. April 2005 - June 2005, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Washington, D.C.
9. November 2005 - present, Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS
 Fellow, National Contracts Management Association
 Former President, Association of the U.S. Army, Detroit Chapter

Former President, American Defense Preparedness Association, Michigan Chapter

Source : www.af.mil/AboutUs/Biographies/Display/tabid/225/Article/107896/michael-w-wynne.aspx
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Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, was [selected](#) August 16, 2005, by President [George W. Bush](#) as Secretary of the Air Force. Wynne has served as the [Department of Defense's](#) Acting Undersecretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics since 2003.

Wynne would [replace](#) Preston M. 'Pete' Geren, who has served as Acting Secretary of the Air Force since July 29, 2005. Geren replaced Secretary of the Air Force [James G. Roche](#), who resigned in January 2005. Wynne's nomination was [sent](#) to the Senate on September 6, 2005, and his [status](#) is pending.

Nomination Failure

Wynne was [nominated](#) September 3, 2003, as Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics to replace [Edward C. \(Pete\) Aldridge, Jr.](#) who retired from government May 23, 2003. Wynne had been serving as acting undersecretary since Aldridge retired and, since July 2001, Wynne had been Aldridge's principal deputy undersecretary for acquisition, technology and logistics." [1][2]

Following opposition by Senator [John McCain](#) (R-AZ), it was anticipated in January 2005 that confirmation of Wynne as full undersecretary was unlikely and that Wynne's name would probably not be sent to the Senate again. "His nomination languished in the Senate for months, after Mr. McCain opposed it, as well as a number of other Pentagon candidates. All pending White House nominations died when Congress adjourned last year," Rowan Scarborough [reported](#) in the *Washington Times*. "Defense industry executives also said they [had] been told by Pentagon officials that Mr. Wynne will not be renominated by the White House." See "Boeing Lease Deal" section below.

Cleared for New Nomination

The June 24, 2005, edition of *Inside the Ring* by Bill Gertz and Rowan Scarborough [reported](#) that the "Pentagon inspector general's recently released report on 'accountability' in the [Boeing](#) tanker lease deal is not expected to derail the job prospects of Michael W. Wynne."

Secretary of Defense [Donald Rumsfeld](#), "who prefers people with CEO experience to run the Army, Air Force and Navy, reached inside Northrop Grumman in the first Bush term to select James G. Roche as his first Air Force secretary. He then nominated Mr. Roche to be Army secretary. But the Senate blocked him over the tanker deal, which Mr. McCain charged was bad for taxpayers and a bailout for Boeing. Mr. Roche then resigned in January." [3]

Government-Industry Revolving Door

"Before his appointment to the [Pentagon](#) he was involved in venture capital, and worked for [General Dynamics](#) and [Lockheed Martin](#). Unlike the most senior civilian appointees at the Department of Defense such as [Donald Rumsfeld](#) and [Paul Wolfowitz](#), Wynne served in uniform in the United States military." [4]

"Wynne formerly worked as principal deputy undersecretary of Defense for acquisition, technology and logistics. Before that, he served as [chairman and CEO IXATA](#) and as chairman of [Extended Reach Logistics](#)." [5]

Upon Wynne's early retirement from General Dynamics in September 1999, he was replaced by GD's Executive Vice President [Gordon R. England](#), who served as Secretary, [Department of the Navy](#), from May 21, 2001, until January 30, 2003, when he became the first Deputy Secretary in the U.S. [Department of Homeland Security](#). [6]

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Boeing Lease Deal

Wynne was one of several people who were blamed by a Pentagon inspector general for a failed 23.5 billion dollar deal with Boeing, which many lawmakers call **the most significant case of contract abuse in decades**.

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"The trail of e-mails show Air Force Secretary [James G. Roche](#) doggedly pursued the Boeing deal and disparaged those in the Pentagon who raised questions, according to documents released by" Senator John McCain. [\[8\]](#)

"Wynne's role was less clear." Wynne, who then oversaw Air Force procurement as [Donald Rumsfeld](#)'s "top weapons buyer, agreed with Mr. Roche to rebuke senior Pentagon officials who worked against the deal. But Mr. Wynne also argued that a second contractor was needed to compete with Boeing. For this, he felt the sting of Mr. Roche's criticism in several e-mails." [\[9\]](#)

"Questions about the deal, which [remained] the subject of investigations [in January 2005] by the Pentagon and U.S. [Justice Department](#), have scuttled several other nominations." [\[10\]](#)

• [Related Links](#)

- Renae Merle, "[Pentagon Widens Procurement Investigation](#)," *Washington Post*, November 10, 2004.
- Renae Merle, "[Contracts Vulnerable To Abuse, Report Says. Defense Study Followed Druyun's Plea](#)," *Washington Post*, May 12, 2005.

Profiles

"Michael W. Wynne is the Acting Under Secretary Of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics. He was named to this position May 23, 2003.

"In this role, Mr. Wynne is the Principal Staff Assistant and advisor to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense for all matters relating to the DoD Acquisition System, research and development, advanced technology, developmental test and evaluation, production, logistics, installation management, military construction, procurement, environmental security, and nuclear, chemical, and biological matters.

"Mr. Wynne came to the [Department of Defense](#) as Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for AT&L. He continues to hold this position to which the Senate confirmed him on July 12, 2001, along with his acting Under Secretary duties.

"Before joining the [Bush Administration](#), Mr. Wynne was involved in venture capital. He nurtured small technology companies through their startup phase as a member of the NextGenFund Executive Committee, and served in executive positions of two of those companies.

"In 1999, Mr. Wynne retired as Senior Vice President from General Dynamics (GD), where his role was in International Development and Strategy. He spent 23 years with General Dynamics in various senior positions with the Aircraft (F-16's), Main Battle Tanks (M1A2), and Space Launch Vehicles (Atlas and Centaur) Divisions.

"In between his assignments at GD, Mr. Wynne spent three years with Lockheed Martin (LMT), selling the Space Systems division to then-Martin Marietta. He successfully integrated the division into the Astronautics Company and became the General Manager of the Space Launch Systems segment, combining the Titan with the Atlas Launch vehicles.

"Prior to joining industry, Mr. Wynne served in the Air Force for seven years, ending as a Captain and Assistant Professor of Astronautics at the US Air Force Academy, where he taught Control Theory and Fire Control Techniques. Mr. Wynne graduated from the United States Military Academy, holds a Masters in Electrical Engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology, and a Masters in Business from the University of Colorado. He has attended short courses at Northwestern University (Business) and Harvard Business School (PMD-42). He is a Fellow in the National Contracts Management Association, and has been a Past President of

the Association of the United States Army, Detroit Chapter and the Michigan Chapter of the American Defense Preparedness Association. He has published numerous professional journal articles relating to engineering, cost estimating and contracting ..."

Source: [Michael W. Wynne's DefenseLink Biography](#).

Also see [Michael W. Wynne](#) in the *Wikipedia*.

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- [Star Wars](#)
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- [Eielson Air Force Base Coal-to-Liquids](#)
- [Malmstrom Air Force Base Coal-to-Liquids](#)
- [U.S. Air Force and Coal](#)
- [Coal-to-Liquids Coalition](#)
- [Coal-to-Liquids](#)
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- ["Bush Nominates Navy, Air Force Secretaries,"](#) Associated Press (*TruthOut*), August 16, 2005.
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- Jen DiMiascio and Erika Lovley, ["Coal Lobby Benefited from Air Force Ally,"](#) Politico, 9/18/08

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