

Colonel Joe Siniscalchi, USAF (Ret), entered the Air Force in 1975 as a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. Throughout the majority of his career, Col Joe Siniscalchi was involved in the employment, management and leadership of Air Force reconnaissance operations. He served as a Command Pilot with multiple operational command assignments at all levels of responsibility. As an instructor and evaluation pilot, he flew over 4,500 hours in the RC-135 supporting worldwide peacetime intelligence collection and contingency operations. During his staff assignments at HQ SAC and HQ USAF, he was responsible for functional and operational management of all Air Force airborne reconnaissance programs. In these positions, he led advocacy for the transition of Air Force's reconnaissance operations from nationally tasked strategic capability to being a key Air Force asset for tactical employment.

Following the assignment at the Air Staff, Colonel Siniscalchi commanded and set-up an overseas operational detachment at Souda Bay NAS followed by command of Air Force's 38th RC-135 squadron at Offutt AFB, NE and as the Wing's Deputy Operations Group Commander. After completing Air War College, he served as a Recruiting Group Commander for eastern United States and Europe. He retired as Joint Staff's Chief, Reconnaissance Operations Division where he was responsible for the policy and employment of the Department of Defense's airborne and maritime reconnaissance operations.

Siniscalchi continued to serve the reconnaissance community through his employment with L-3 Integrated Systems in Greenville Texas. He served as both an engineering director leading the development of reconnaissance-focused technology and operations concepts and initiatives and as a Senior Vice President for Strategy and Business Development. In these positions, he laid ground work for the future reconnaissance capabilities for the USAF and RAF to ensure these platforms remain viable for future generations.

He and his spouse, Kim Siniscalchi, Maj Gen, USAF (Ret), have one daughter, Lauren, and are retired in Heath, Texas. Both Joe and Kim are honored in the 55th Hall of Fame.