



Major General Thomas C. Friloux

Major General Thomas C. Friloux was appointed the 51st Adjutant General of Louisiana by Governor Jeff Landry on January 8, 2024. He serves as the Commanding General of both the Louisiana Army National Guard and the Louisiana Air National Guard. He is responsible for providing the State of Louisiana and the United States of America with a ready force of more than 11,000 service members of the Louisiana National Guard prepared and equipped to fight our Nation's wars and respond to the State's emergencies.

Major General Friloux attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned into the Infantry in 1992. His previous command and staff positions include: Commander, A Troop 108th Cavalry; Commander, A Company 3-156th Infantry; Commander, B Company 3-156th Infantry; Operations Officer, 3-156th Infantry; Executive Officer, 3-156th Infantry; Operations Officer, 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team; Commander, 2-156th Infantry; J7 – Joint Director of Plans, Louisiana National Guard; J3 – Joint Director of Operations, Louisiana National Guard; Director of the Joint Staff, the Louisiana National Guard; and Dual-Status Commander, Joint Task Force Louisiana.

Major General Friloux has mobilized into active federal service four times during his career. In 1990, he mobilized in support of Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield. In 2004, he mobilized and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II/III. In 2010, he mobilized and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom X and Operation New Dawn. In 2021, he mobilized with US Northern Command as the Dual-Status Commander in response to Hurricane Ida in Louisiana.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in 1995, a Master of Arts in Military Studies with a concentration in Land Warfare from the American Military University in 2011, and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College in 2016. His military education includes the Infantry Officer's Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms Services and Staff School, Command and General Staff College, the U.S. Army War College, and the Joint and Combined Warfighting School. He has executive-level certificates from the Naval Post Graduate School, the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, and the National Defense University.

Major General Friloux's military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Iraqi Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Louisiana War Cross, the Louisiana Legion of Merit, the Louisiana Cross of Merit, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge, and other decorations.

He resides in New Orleans, Louisiana and is married to the former Laurie Anne Spadoni with four children: Madison, Dylan (Grace), Zachary, and Nicholas. He has two grandchildren, William and Evangeline