



Biography

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Pickavance is vice president and deputy program manager, Florida Operations, for United Space Alliance. Appointed to this new position in July 2000, he is responsible for management of the Space Flight Operations Contract at the Kennedy Space Center. In this capacity, he oversees the day-to-day operations of all USA Space Shuttle program elements in Florida, including Ground Operations, Integrated Logistics and the Solid Rocket Booster Element.

The Florida Operations office serves as the management focal point for all USA program operations in Florida and was organized to strengthen the Shuttle processing team for the International Space Station assembly flights that are now projected to extend through the year 2006.

Pickavance reports directly to the USA Program Manager in Houston, Texas, and serves as the top program representative to the NASA customer at KSC. Associate Program Managers for each Florida element report directly to him.

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas A&M University, a Master of Science degree in management from Salve Regina University, and a master of arts in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College. He attended Harvard's Kennedy School of Government as a senior official in national security in 1993 and again in 1997.

Pickavance has more than 32 years of government and leadership management experience for which he received several awards, including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (4 awards) and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He saw combat in Vietnam and Desert Storm.