



### **Date and place of birth**

1959, Oulu

### **Spouse**

Maria Helena Lindberg (three children)

### **Military education and career**

1979-82	Flight Cadet Course
1982-87	Officer Pilot, Karelia Air Command
1987-91	MiG-21BIS instructor pilot, Fighter Squadron 31
1988	Deputy Flight Commander, Training Flight, Fighter Squadron 31, MiG-21BIS
1988-91	Finnish MiG-21BIS Demo pilot
1989-90	Flight Commander, Training Flight, Fighter Squadron 31
1990-1991	Flight Commander, Operational Flight, Fighter Squadron 31
1991-93	War College
1993-94	Chief of Air Force Pilot Training, AF HQ
1995	US Navy F/A-18 Hornet training, CATII Course 5-95, VFA-125, NAS Lemoore C AUS Navy Instructor Upgrade Training, NAS Lemoore CA & NAS Fallon, NV
1995-99	Commander, Fighter Squadron 21, F/A-18C/D Hornet
1999-2000	Deputy Chief of Staff Air Force Operations, Finnish Air Force HQ

2001-03 Chief of Plans and Ops (A5/A3), Finnish Air Force HQ  
2004 Assistant Chief of Finnish Defence Staff Ops Division  
2005 Commander, Lapland Air Command  
2005-06 Deputy Chief of Operations, Finnish Defence Staff  
2007-08 Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division (J3), Defence Command  
2008 Commander, Finnish Air Force  
2012 – 2014 Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics and Armaments  
01 Aug 2014 Chief of Defence (Commander of the Finnish Defence Forces)

### **Promotions**

2001 Colonel  
2005 Brigadier General  
2008 Major General  
2011 Lieutenant General  
2014 General

### **Decorations**

Knight, of the Order of the White Rose of Finland  
Medal for Military Merits  
Cross of Liberty

### **Languages**

Finnish, Swedish, English