

Elyezer Shkedy

Major General (Res.) Elyezer Shkedy retired from the Israeli Air Force after a distinguished career of nearly 33 years, earning the rank of Major General. He served as the Commander of the Israeli Air Force (IAF) from 2004 to 2008 and prior to that was the Chief of Staff from 2002-2004. General Shkedy also served as Head of the Directorate, Commander of the Ramat David Air Force Base, Head of the Operations Department and Head of the Combat Branch in the Operations Department. From 1991 to 1993 he served as Head of the team that established the F-16D "Valley Squadron", which he also commanded.

General Shkedy, aside from his current position as President and CEO of EL AL Israel Airlines, Israel's national airline, is also very active in various organizations as both a Board Member and a volunteer including: Stand With Us, Heseg Foundation for Former Lone Soldiers, Friends of the IDF Adopt a Soldier Program, The Fischer Brothers Institute for Air and Space Strategic Studies and PUSH for Excellence in Education.

General Shkedy was born in Kfar Saba, Israel in 1957 to Moshe (Holocaust survivor and sole survivor of his family) and Nechama Shkedy. He is married to Dr. Anat Shkedy and they have 3 children – Nimrod, Maya and Omer.

General Shkedy holds a BSc in Mathematics and Computer Science with Honors from Ben-Gurion University and an MA in Systems Management with Honors form the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.