

David King

David King leads Dynetics, a Leidos company. Prior to Leidos acquiring Dynetics in February 2020, King was Chief Executive Officer and a member of Dynetics Board of Directors. He joined Dynetics in April 2009.

King has over 35 years of experience in space systems development and operations as well as leading large organizations. He retired from his 25-year career with NASA as the Center Director of NASA Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) in 2009, where he was responsible for overseeing 7,000 onsite employees and contractors and a \$2.7 billion budget.

King is a former Space Shuttle Launch Director and Director of Shuttle Processing at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. He played key roles in more than 100 space shuttle missions during his tenure at NASA and led the Columbia Recovery team following the Columbia accident.

He then led the NASA MSFC team through "Return to Flight" efforts following the Columbia accident and implemented the investigation board recommendations, including implementing "Technical Authority" for all programs at NASA MSFC. He also established a comprehensive management system for NASA MSFC, enabling informed business decisions and building a strong management team.

King is an American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Fellow and has been recognized for his leadership and technical achievements. He has received the National Space Club Goddard Memorial Trophy, the NASA Medal for Distinguished Service, two NASA Outstanding Leadership Medals, and the Distinguished and Meritorious Presidential Rank Awards as a career senior executive. In 2019, Yellowhammer News named him to the inaugural "Yellowhammer 15" class, which recognizes Alabama leaders who are moving the state forward.

He is currently the chairman of the board for The Enrichment Center. King serves on the board of directors for the Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville/Madison County, the Kairos Foundation in Florida, and Leadership Alabama. He serves as a trustee and vice chairman of the Huntsville Hospital Foundation and the chairman of the 2020 Huntsville Classic. King is a peer group leader for the AIAA Fellows Selection Committee. He is a former board member of Westminster Christian Academy in Huntsville, the American Astronautical Society (AAS), and the Huntsville Chapter of the National Space Club, and he previously served on the Alabama Workforce Council in support of both economic and job development in the state. He is a former chairman of the board for the Von Braun Center for Science and Innovation.

King holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of South Carolina and a master's degree in business administration from the Florida Institute of Technology.

