



**Joseph T. Anderson, Maj Gen USMC (Ret.)**  
 “Joe”

Date of Designation: 14 August 1970      NA# T-13278

Dates of Active Duty: June 1968 - January 2003

Total Flight Hours: 4,200

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 25    Rotary wing 20  
 VSTOL: 534

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 4,000    Prop: 45    VMA/VMFA: 4,000  
 VT: 30    Rotary: 155

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VMFA-115 DaNang, RVN (F-4B)  
 VMFA-115 Nam Phong, Thailand (F4B)  
 Total Combat Missions: 187 (F-4B)

Commands:

OIC, VMA-231 Det A Kadena, Okinawa (AV-8A)  
 CO, VMA-331 MCAS Cherry Point, NC (AV-8B)  
 CO, MAG -13 MCAS Yuma, AZ (AV-8B)  
 CG, 1st MAW Okinawa, Japan

Combat Awards:

13 Air Medals  
 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry

**Duty Assignment Chronology**

6/64- 6/68    U. S. Naval Academy.  
 7/68-12/68    The Basic School MCB, Quantico, VA  
 1/69-12/69    USAF Undergraduate Pilot Training, Craig  
                   AFB, AL (T-41/ T-37/ T-38).  
 1/70-8/70    VMAT-103 MCAS Yuma, AZ (TA-4).  
 9/70-6/71    VMFAT-101 MCAS Yuma, AZ (F-4B).  
 7/71-5/72    VMFA-314 MCAS El Toro, CA (F-4B).  
 6/72-1/73    VMFA-115 DaNang, RVN (F-4B).



2/73-6/73    VMFA-115 Nam Phong, Thailand (F-4B).  
 7/73- 8/74    VMA-231 MCAS Cherry Point, NC (AV-8A).  
 9/73- 5/74    VMA-542 MCAS Cherry Point, NC (AV-8A).  
 6/74-12/74    VMAT-203 MCAS Cherry Point, NC (AV-8A)  
 1/75-12/75    Class 70, USN TPS, NAS Patuxent River,  
                   MD (T-38/ T-2/ B-26/U-1/ A-37/ U-6/T-2/  
                   H-58/ P-3/A-4).  
 1/76-6/79    Strike Aircraft Test Directorate, NAS  
                   Patuxent River, MD (AV-8A/ YAV-8B/A-3/  
                   X-22/A-7/A-4/ H-47/ T-33/ T-34/OV-10).  
 7/79-8/79    VMA-231 MCAS Cherry Point, NC, AMO  
                   (AV-8A).  
 9/79-5-80    VMA-231 Det B, Kadena AFB, Okinawa  
                   Japan, OIC (AV-8A).  
 6/80-5/82    VMA-231, XO (AV-8A).  
 6/82-5/83    South Atlantic Study Group, Institute for  
                   Defense Analysis, VA.  
 6/83-7/85    AV-8 APM Systems & Engineering, Naval Air  
                   Systems Command, VA.  
 8/85-6/86    National War College, Ft. McNair, DC.  
 6/87-7/87    VMA-331 MCAS Cherry Point, NC, CO  
                   (AV-8B).  
 8/88-8/90    APW-21 HQMC, Washington, DC.  
 9/90-5/9    MAG 13, CO (AV-8B)  
 6/93-6/94    OUSD Tactical Warfare Programs, Pentagon.  
 6/94-6/95    Director of Operations, HQMC, DC.  
 7/95-7-97    Vice Commander, Naval Air Systems  
                   Command, VA.  
 8/97-1/98    C4I, HQMC, DC.  
 2/98-12/00    CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa,  
                   Japan (AV-8B/F-18/C-130/UH-1/H-1/CH-46/  
                   H-53/EA-6/F-15).

**Summary of Significant Career Events**

- (1) Designated USAF Aviator in December 1969.
- (2) Designated Naval Aviator in August 1970.
- (3) Ski Jump Evaluator, Farnborough, UK 1978.

Summary of Significant Career Events continued

- (4) YAV-8B Navy Preliminary Evaluator.
- (5) AV-8A/ LHA Shipboard Compatibility Evaluator.
- (6) Deputy Director National Air and Space Museum.