



Bruce B. Bremner, RADM USN (Ret.)

“Bruce” or “Whitefoot”

Date of Designation: 7 May 1965 NA# V-22172

Dates of Active Duty: 17 July 1961 - 1 August 1995

Total Flight Hours: 8,900

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 1,002 Rotary: 25

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 5,600 Prop: 300 VF/VA: 5,300 VS: 49
VT: 250 Crop Dusting Prop: 3,000

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-35 Dec. 1966 - Jun. 1967, USS *Enterprise* (CVAN-65) (A-6)
VA-35 Jan. 1968 - Jul. 1968, USS *Enterprise* (CVAN-65) (A-6)

Total Combat Missions: 191 over North Vietnam (A-6)

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-85, May 1978 - July 1979 (A-6)
Commander, Carrier Air Wing 17, July 1980 - Nov. 1981 (A-6E, EA-6B, S-3A, A-7E, F-4J, SH-3, E-2C)
Commander, Medium Attack Wing One, Dec. 1981 - Dec. 1983 (A-6)
CO, USS *Savannah* (AOR-4), June 1984 - Jan. 1986
CO, USS *Coral Sea*, Jan. 1987 - Jun. 1988 (A-6)
Commander, Medium Attack Tactical Electronic Warfare Wing Pacific, Aug. 1990 - Dec. 1992 (A-6, EA-6B)

Combat Awards:

2 Silver Star Medals
3 Distinguished Flying Crosses
2 Air Medals (Individual)
17 Air Medals Strike/Flight
Purple Heart
Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross



Duty Assignment Chronology

7/61-11/61 Officer Candidate School, Newport, RI.
11/61-5/62 NATTC Glynco, GA, CIC Student.
5/62-12/63 USS *Interdictor* (AGR 13), Communications Officer.
12/63-10/64 NABTC Pensacola & Meridian, Primary and Basic Jet Training (T-34B, T-2A).
10/64-5/65 NAAS Chase Field, Advanced Jet Training (TF-9J, AF-9J, F-11A).
5/65-8/65 VA-42, A-6 Replacement Pilot.
8/65-7/68 VA-35, Aircraft Division (A-6).
7/68-1/69 VA-42, Flight Instructor (A-6).
1/69-10/69 Naval Test Pilot School (Class 53), NATC Patuxent River, MD (T-1A, T-28B, A-4B, F-8C/K/L, OV-1A, S-2D, X-26A, OV-10A).
10/69-2/72 Weapons Systems Test Division, NATC Patuxent River (Project Pilot) (A-1E, A-4B/F, A-6A/B/E, EA-6A/B, A-7A/E, F-4J, F-8H/J/K, T-39D, S-2D).
2/72-6/72 VA-42, A-6 Replacement Pilot.
6/72-12/74 VA-65, Operations/Maintenance (A-6).
12/74-6/75 Armed Forces Staff College (Student).
6/75-9/76 Staff, Commander Naval Air Force Atlantic.
9/76-2/77 VA-42, A-6 Replacement Pilot.
2/77-6/79 VA-85, XO/CO (A-6).
6/79-2/80 Medium Attack Wing ONE, C/S (A-6).
2/80-7/80 Commander Naval Air Force Atlantic, CAG Training.
7/80-11/81 Commander, Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN (A-6E, EA-6B, S-3A, A-7E, F-4J, SH-3, E-2C).
11/81-12/83 Commander, Medium Attack Wing ONE (A-6)
12/83-5/84 Major Command Training.
5/84-1/86 CO, USS *Savannah* (AOR-4).
1/86-1/87 Special Assistant to the VCNO, Pentagon.
1/87-7/88 CO, USS *Coral Sea* (CV 43) (A-6).
7/88-9/88 CAPSTONE, National Defense University.
9/88-9/90 NORAD, Command Director.

Duty Assignment Chronology continued

9/90-2/93 Commander, Medium Attack Tactical
Electronic Warfare Wing Pacific (A-6, EA-6B)
2/93-7/95 U. S. Space Command (J-3).
1/8/95 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Mined Song Ca River mouth, North Vietnam, 26 Feb. 1967, in the first combat aerial mining utilizing jet aircraft.
- (2) Was project pilot and project officer for A-6E NPE and A-6E BIS Trials.
- (3) Was project pilot for EA-6B NPE and BIS Trials.
- (4) Was first pilot to achieve 5,000 flight hours in A-6 type aircraft.
- (5) Was lucky to be always surrounded by highly dedicated, talented, industrious, loyal people throughout my Navy time.