



Warren B. Christie., Captain USN (Ret.)
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Date of Designation: April 5, 1966 NA#V-23356

Dates of Active Duty: June 1964 - October 1990

Total Flight Hours: 5,200

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 1,129

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 4,810 Prop: 310 VF/VA: 4,600 VT: 300

Helo: 30 Glider: 20

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-146, USS *Constellation*, May - Nov. 1967

Total combat missions: 101 (A-4C)

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-37, July 1980 - October 1981

COMCVW-13, October 1988 - July 1990

Combat Awards:

Distinguished Flying Cross

10 Air Medals

3 Navy Commendation Medals with combat "V"

Navy Achievement Medal with combat "V"

Non-combat Awards:

Legion of Merit

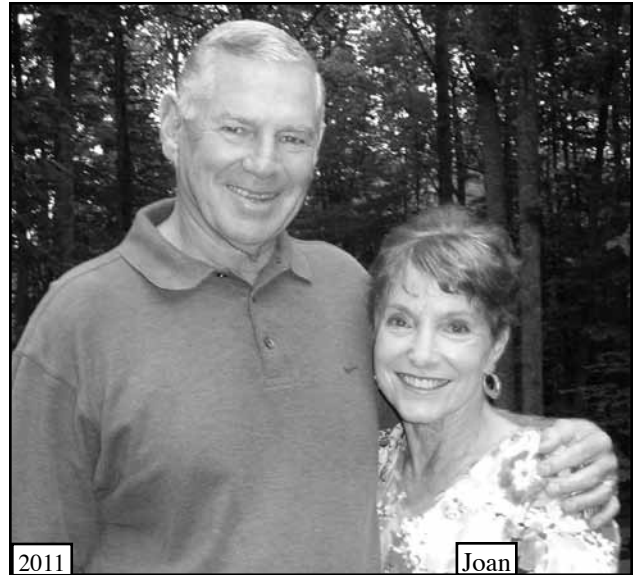
2 Defense Meritorious Service Medals

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Duty Assignment Chronology

6/60-10/64 U. S. Naval Academy, Midshipman, Assistant Soccer Coach.

10/64-4/66 Flight Training, NAS Pensacola, FL, Meridian, MS and Kingsville, TX (T-34, T-2, TF-9, F-9).



- 5/66-9/66 VA-125, NAS Lemoore, CA. Fleet Replacement Pilot (A-4C).
- 9/66-1/68 VA-146, USS *Constellation*, LSO, SLJO (A-4C).
- 1/68-6/69 VA-152, USS *Forrestal*, LSO, Aircraft Division Officer (A-4B, F-4B).
- 6/69-2/70 U. S. Naval Test Pilot School, NAS Patuxent River, MD. Student Test Pilot (T-1, T-2, T-28, S-2, F-8, X-26, A-4, OV-10).
- 2/70-5/72 Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, Carrier Suitability Project Officer/Pilot (F-4, F-8, A-4, A-6, A-7, C-1, E-1, S-2, U-1, OV-10).
- 6/72-9/72 VA-174, NAS Cecil Field, FL. Ready Replacement Pilot (A-7E).
- 10/72-2/75 CVW 17, USS *Forrestal*, LSO, Safety Officer (A-7E, F-4B).
- 3/75-3/77 U. S. Naval Test Pilot School, Operations/ Senior Fixed Wing Instructor (A-4, A-7, U-1, U-6, T-2, T-33, T-38, F-5, F-100, F-101, OH-58, X-26).
- 4/77-11/78 Carrier Group Two/Task Force SIXTY Staff, Naples, Italy. NATO/Bilateral Plans.
- 12/78-5-79 VA-174, NAS Cecil Field FL. Ready Replacement Pilot (TA-4J, A-7E).
- 5/79-10/81 VA-37, USS *Saratoga*, CO/XO (A-7E).
- 10/81-11/82 Naval War College, Newport, RI. Student
- 11/82-6/84 CINCLANT/CINCLANTFLT, Norfolk, Program Planning.
- 6/84-6/86 USS *Saratoga*, Operations Officer.
- 7/86-3/88 OPNAV, Pentagon, Strike Warfare.
- 3/88-10/88 Fleet Replacement Pilot/Duty Under Instruction (FA-18A/B, A-6E).
- 10/88-10/90 CVW-13, USS *Coral Sea*, CAG, (FA-18A/B, A-6E, EA-6B, E-2C, SH-3).

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) The A-4M Navy Preliminary Evaluation and catapult minimum endspeed projects were exciting as were the unpredictable C-1A/C13 catapult compatibility
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Summary of Significant Career Events continued:

tests. Development of the A-7E Approach Power Compensator and certification of the A-7E for automatic carrier landings afforded opportunities to bag traps.

- (2) Ejection from an A-7E, after explosion of the trouble-plagued TF-41 engine, caught my attention.
- (3) Operational tours in three generations of single seat aircraft (A-4, A-7, FA-18) and the opportunity to employ each technological advance.
- (4) As Operations Officer on *Saratoga*, assisting Jerry Unruh capture the Achille Lauro terrorists and conduct "Freedom-of-Navigation" operations wherein two Lybian patrol boats were sunk (not as good as flying but still fun).
- (5) As CAG, flawless support for the short-notice emergency airborne evacuation of the U. S. Embassy, Lebanon was rewarding.
- (6) Last trap on USS *Coral Sea* prior to her decommissioning.
- (7) Miss the people, airplanes and the ships upon which they embark.