



CAPT Raymond Donnelly, USN (Ret.)
 "Ray"

Date of Designation: 7 November 1952

Dates of Active Duty: 1 June 1951 - 31 August 1981

Total Flight Hours: 4,011

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 623

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,629 Prop: 382 VF/VA: 3,780

Combat Tours:

Korea: Period of truce: 10/53 - 4/54
 Vietnam: 5/69 - 11/69 - 97 combat missions

Aviation Commands:

CO - VF-191
 CO - NAS Mayport (First year as Major Command ashore)
 CO - NAS Miramar

Combat Awards:

2 Legion of Merit
 2 Bronze Star Medals
 3 Air Medals
 Meritorious Service Medal
 Navy Expeditionary
 Navy Unit Commendation
 Cuban Service Medal
 Vietnam Service Medal
 Korean Service Medal
 China Service Medal

Duty Assignment Chronology

6/51-12/53 Flight Training - Basic/Advanced. Pensacola/
 Kingsville/Corpus Christi, TX.
 1/53-2/53 Jet Training - NAAS Kingsville, YX.
 3/56-8/55 VF-173 (F9F-6) - Korean Cease Fire.(9.5
 months) Transitioned to FJ-3.



9/55-6/59 General Line School - Student in first class.
 6/59-8/59 Instructor advanced jet training command
 Participant Fleet Indoctrination Program of
 T2V - 5/57 -8-57.
 9/59-12/59 COMNAVAIRLANT LSO Program (F8/A4/
 A3D/F9F-8T).
 1/60-1/61 CAW-6 Staff LSO.
 1/61-5/63 LSO and Maintenance Officer.
 5/63-6/64 Naval War College - student junior course &
 masters program.
 7/64-6/66 OPNAV 603 - Strategic Plans for Latin
 America (JCS matters).
 6/66-9/68 VF-124 Operation Officer/Executive Officer
 10/68-6/70 VF- 191 - XO/CO - Awarded successive
 AIRPAC "E" Awards. Participant Fleet
 Indoctrination Program of T2V, 5/57-8/57.
 7/70-6/71 National War College - student.
 7/71-7/72 Operations Officer USS *Saratoga* - Med and
 Vietnam cruises.
 9/72-8/74 Operations Officer COMCARGRU-6 Staff.
 8/74-6/76 CO NAS Mayport, FL.
 7/76-7/78 Head of Naval Aircraft & Weapons
 Requirements (OPNAV-506).
 7/78-7/79 Deputy Naval Air Operations (OPNAV-50B).
 7/79-8/81 CO, NAS Miramar, CA.
 8/81 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Overseeing numerous improvements/introductions of weapons (AIM-9/AMRAAM) and aircraft including a new engine for the F-14.
- (2) Developed a method to inspect F8 engine mounts for cracks while deployed without pulling the tail and engine - a space and labor saver.
- (3) Developed the first low altitude (5000 feet) air-to-air gunnery tactics as Ops in VF-124

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Summary of Significant Career Events continued

(4) Flew every model of the F8 and survived !

Post Retirement Affiliations

President OHEAC Armoring Company. Armored Secret Service/State Department/CIA/Foreign Heads of State automobiles/limousines including President Reagan's Parade Cars.