



William E. Ramsey, Vice Admiral, USN (Ret.)
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Date of Designation: 13 April 1955 NA # V-6770

Dates of Active Duty: 5 June 1953 - 1 March 1989

Total Flight Hours: 4,800

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 910

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 4,000 Prop: 500 VF/VA: 3,500 VT: 250

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: CO, VA-66 (A-4C), May 1968 - Mar. 1969,
 - 138 missions.

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-66, May 1968 - Mar. 1969.
 CO, USS *Pensacola* (LSD-38), Jul. 1972 - Oct. 1973.
 CO, USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69), Jan. 1975 -
 Feb. 1979.
 Commander, Carrier Group ONE, Mar. 1979 - Oct. 1980

Combat Awards:

2 Bronze Star
 12 Air Medals

Duty Assignment Chronology

6/5/53 Commissioned Ensign, U.S. Naval Academy,
 Annapolis, MD.
 6/53-2/54 USS *Glynn* (APA-239).
 3/54-4/55 Navy flight training.
 4/55-6/55 VF-61 (F9F-8)
 6/55-6/59 VF-84 (FJ-3).
 6/59-6/60 VA-43 (A-4), Instructor.
 6/60-6/63 Naval Air Test Center (NATC), Patuxent
 River, MD. Carrier Suitability Flight Test
 Division.



6/63-12/64 Flag Secretary, COMCARDIV SIX.
 1/65-12/65 RAF Staff College, Bracknell, UK.
 1/66-3/66 VA-174 (A-4/F-4), RAG Student.
 4/66-6/67 Operations Officer, CVW-6 (A-4/F-4).
 6/67-2/69 XO/CO, VA-66 (A-4C), Vietnam deployment.
 3/69-6/70 Nuclear Power Training.
 6/70-5/71 Operations Officer/XO, USS *Independence*
 (CVA-62).
 6/71-7/72 OPNAV, Office of Program Appraisal.
 7/72-10/73 CO, USS *Pensacola* (LSD-38).
 11/73-12/74 Naval War College - Admiral Halsey Chair of
 Air Warfare.
 1/75-2/79 CO, USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69).
 5/79-11/80 Commander, Carrier Group ONE.
 12/80-9/85 Director, Naval Space Systems Division,
 OPNAV (OP-943).
 9/85-3/89 Deputy CINC Space Systems Command,
 Colorado Springs, CO.
 3/1/89 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Initial catapult end-speed tests for F-4 and E-2C.
- (2) First nose tow catapult launch (E-2C), USS *Enterprise*.
- (3) First single-engine F-4 landing, USS *Enterprise*.
- (4) First turbo-prop landings and catapults, USS *Enterprise*.
- (5) First single-engine landing (E-2C), USS *Enterprise*.
- (6) First CO, USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69).
- (7) First Director, Navy Space Systems.
- (8) First Deputy CINC, U. S. Space Command.
- (9) Navy awardee of Military Astronautics Awards by AAS.