



Richard H. Truly, VADM, USN (Ret.)
 “Dick”

Date of Designation: 7 October 1960 NA# V-17064

Dates of Active Duty: June 1959-June 89

Total Flight Hours: 7,500+

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 304

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 7,300 Prop: 200 VF/VA: 1,200

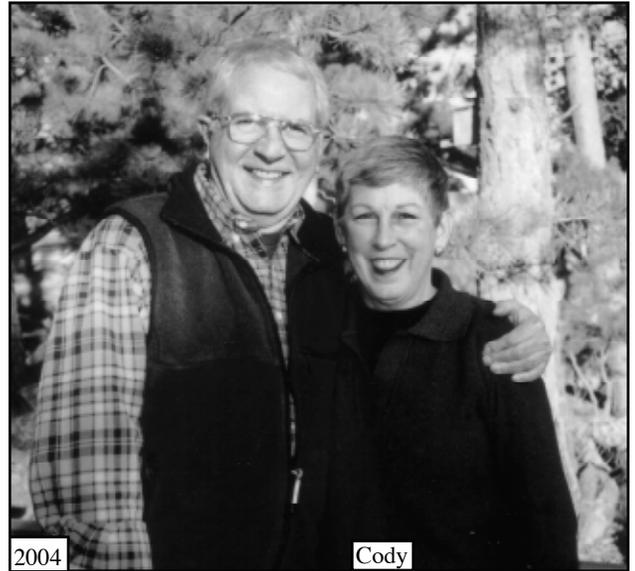
Aviation Commands:

Comander, Naval Space Command 10/83-02/86.

Naval Component Commander, Space Comand, 10/84-02/86.

Duty Assignment Chronology

- 8/55-6/59 Midshipman, Regular NROTC, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA.
- 6/59-10/60 Naval Flight Training, NAS, Pensacola, Saufley, Whiting, Beeville (T34B, T28B/C, F9F8B/T, F11F1).
- 12/60-4/61 VF- 174 F8 Replacement Air Group, NAS Cecil Field, FL (F8U1,2).
- 4/61-11/63 VF-33, NAS Oceana, VA, USS Intrepid (CVA 11), USS Enterprise (CVAN 65), F8UIE, F8U2NE (F8E), F9F8T.
- 12/63-11/6 USAF Aerospace Research Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA. Test Pilot Student (1964) Academic and Flight Test Instructor (1965) T33A, T37B, T38A, NF101A, F106A/B, F104A/B/D, N857E, B26, C47H, C130H, KC135, G91T/I, AeroCommander, 178C, Piper Apache.
- 11/65-9/69 Astronaut, U.S. Air Force Manned Orbiting Laboratory Program, (T33A, T38A, T39A, F104A/B/D, F106B, KC135, TurboPorter, U3A.



- 9/69 - 9/83 Astronaut, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Capsule Communicator, all Skylab Missions
 Capsule Communicator, Apollo-Soyuz Docking Mission
 Pilot, Shuttle Approach and Landing Tests (Enterprise)
 Pilot, STS-2 Shuttle Mission (Columbia)
 Commander, STS-8 Shuttle Mission (Challenger), (T33A, T38A, G195, CIA, C2, C135A, B26), A7 Digitac, (G2STA,TA4J,F15B, F16B, TA7, C131, OV10), (Enterprise), OV102 (Columbia), OV99 (Challenger).
- 10/83-2/86 Commander, Naval Space Command.
 Naval Component Commander, U.S. Space Command (84-86)
- 2/86-6/89 National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC
 Associate Administrator, Office of Space Flight
- 7/89-3/92 National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC
 Administrator.
- 11/92-4/97 Vice President, Georgia Institute of Technology and Director, Georgia Technology Research Institute, Atlanta, GA
- 5/97-Pres. Director, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and Executive Vice President, Midwest Research Institute, Golden, CO

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) First squadron tour was VF33 out of Oceana. Mostly Med cruises deployed aboard Intrepid and Enterprise, except for two emergency deployments-first to the Dominican Republic following the Trujillo assassination, and then the Cuban Blockade.

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Summary of Significant Career Events continued

(2) Ordered to test pilot school with the Air Force at Edwards. Chuck Yeager was Commandant of the school, and thanks to him, was selected as the youngest member of the first astronaut selection for the Manned Orbiting Laboratory. MOL was a classified 30-day orbital mission, eventually cancelled by President Nixon in June 1969. During this period, spent a year as the youngest LCDR in the Navy.

(3) Ordered to the NASA Astronaut Office in Houston, arrived between Apollo 11 and Apollo 12. In 1977, flew the Space Shuttle Enterprise approach and landing tests from the top of a Boeing 747 (a thrill!). Backed up the first space shuttle mission in 1981, then flew STS2 aboard Columbia in November of 1981. This was the first time a spacecraft had been re-flown in space and set a world circular orbital altitude record. Commanded the STS8 shuttle mission aboard Challenger in August-September 1983. Made the first space shuttle night landing on this flight.

(4) Ordered as the first Commander, Naval Space Command in Dalgren, VA. Command was stood up by CNO Admiral Watkins on October 1, 1983. One year later, became the first Naval component commander to U.S. Space Command.

(5) Following the space shuttle Challenger accident, ordered back to NASA Headquarters to lead the Challenger investigation and the return-to-flight efforts. Was awarded the Collier Trophy and the President's Citizen Medal by President Reagan. Retired from the Navy on June 30, 1989 as Vice Admiral. Sworn in the following day as the 8th NASA Administrator.