



John C. Davis, II, CDR, USN (Ret)
"JC"

Date of Designation: 19 February 1965

Dates of Active Duty: June 1963 - July 1984.

Total Flight Hours: 4,377

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 612

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,660 VA: 2,700 M/E: 1,834

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-164, USS *Oriskany*, Aug. - Dec. 1965

Vietnam: VA-164, USS *Oriskany*, May - Nov. 1966

Vietnam: VA-164, USS *Oriskany*, Jun. - Sep 1967

Vietnam: VA-94, USS *Coral Sea*, Nov. 71 - Jul. 72

Total combat missions: 354

Combat Awards:

3 Distinguished Flying Crosses

6 Air Medals

32 Strike/Flight Air Medals

3 Navy Commendation Medals with combat "V"

Duty Assignment Chronology

6/63-10/63	USS Telfair (TAD awaiting Flight School).
10/63-2/65	Navy Flight Training (T-34B, T-2J, F-9F, F-11A).
2/65-7/65	VA-125, A4E Replacement Training
8/65-9/67	VA-164, A4E Ghostriders Enlisted Personnel Officer/NUC Weapons Training Officer.
9/67-6/69	VA-122, A7A/B Replacement Weapons Instructor Pilot/Enlisted Maintenance Replacement Training Officer.
9/69-5/70	American Airlines (B-727).
5/70-11/70	VA-122, A7E Fleet Replacement Pilot.
11/70-2/73	VA-94, A7E Mighty Shrikes



2/73-7/75	Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.
7/75-12/77	USS <i>Coral Sea</i> , Air Operations Officer.
12/77-10/81	Navy Tactical Interoperability Support Activity, San Diego, CA.
2/82-5/84	USS <i>Kitty Hawk</i> Combat Direction Center Officer.
7/84	Retired from Active Duty.
9/84-7/02	Hughes Aircraft/Raytheon, Engineering.
4/01-8/07	Flight International, Learjet 20/30 Air Services to USN, USAF, Canadian Forces.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) 2nd in Class of 50 Preflight, Completed Flight Training 'Down' Free
 - (2) First of nugget "cannon fodder" "must pumps" – first squadron hop 2/Mk83s, 4/Mk82s four days out of RAG.
 - (3) 8/28/66 - Major wing hit, stall/spin at 165kts, gear down and three pumps enroute to Danang gear at 170. DFC downgraded to Air Medal.
 - (4) 9/66 - Dark night, after series of foul-deck-wave offs, (FDWO) called the ball at 100lbs, got another FDWO. Flew 45 degree bank visual to 'OK3 Underlined' No gas on shutdown, no award, but best flying I've ever done.
 - (5) 8/3/67 - Engaged missile site during Ironhand mission, double cycled and lead follow on Alfa Strike to destroy. First DFC.
 - (6) 71-72 - VA-94 Two DFCs leading the five best nuggets ever. Second in A7E landing grades for entire cruise (second only to Bill Bowes, who did A7E BIS trials)..
 - (7) NTISA 1981 - Co-authored report on deficiencies of Distributed Time Division Multiple Access (DTDMA) technology for then OP94, leading to Secretary Lehman's
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Summary of Significant Career Events continued

cancellation of program (and incurring wrath of contractor). TDMA subsequently integrated in Navy systems.

- (8) 1984 - USS *Kitty Hawk* won Battle 'E' under Capt Dave Rogers. Awarded Navy Commendation Medal as CDCO.
- (9) Resumed flying in 2001 in Learjets, doing former Composite Squadron mission. At age 64, did banner tows at Lemoore for and amongst F18s! Last flight doing 100ft CIWS runs one week after 66th birthday! What a kick!