

William D. Bauer, Colonel, USMC (Ret.) "Bill"

Date of Designation: 14 October 1960 NA#: V-16828

<u>Dates of Active Duty</u>: 4 June 1954 – 1 August 1985

Total Flight Hours: 4,049 Accident Free

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 37

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,600 Prop: 350 Helo: 55 Glider: 3

Combat Tours:

July 1967- January 1968 VMFA-314 Chu Lai Vietnam:

> February 1968 - August 1968 Air Liaison Officer, 1st Marine Regiment, Operations Hue City (Battle of Hue), Ford, Pegasus (Khe Sanh), Scotland II, Napoleon/Saline, and

Kentucky.

Aviation Commands:

H&MS-10, MCAS Yuma, AZ (June 1974 - May 1975) VMFAT-101, MCAS Yuma, AZ (May 1975 - July 1976) MAG-15, MCAS Iwakuni, Japan (July 1982-July 1983) Marine Air Detachment, Naval Air Test Center (August 1983-August 1985)

Combat Missions: 110

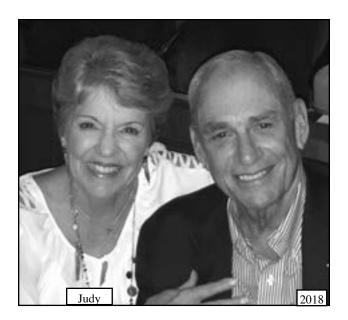
Combat Awards:

Distinguished Flying Cross Bronze Star with Combat "V" 8 Strike Flight Air Medals

Non-Combat Awards:

Legion of Merit

Navy Commendation Medal



Duty Assignment Chronology

06/54-06/58 U. S. Naval Academy, Midshipman.

08/58-04/59 The Basic School, Quantico, VA.

05/59-10/60 Flight Student, Pensacola, FL and Kingsville, TX (T-34, T-28, F-9, F-11).

11/60-02/63 VMF (aw) 451, Squadron Pilot, El Toro, CA and Atsugi, Japan (F-8, F-9, HU-1).

02/63-01/66 VT-22, Advanced Jet Flight Instructor,

Kingsville, TX (F-9).

02/66-07/66 Student USMC Amphibious Warfare School, Quantico, VA (T-28).

08/66-07/67 Squadron Pilot, VMFA-531, MCAS Cherry Point, NC (F-4).

07/67-02/68 Squadron Pilot, VMFA-314. ChuLai RVN.

02/68-08/68 Air Liaison Officer, 1st Marine Regiment,

1st Marine Division, RVN.

09/68-01/70 Aircraft Maintenance Officer, VMFA-212, MCAS Kaneohe, HI (F-4).

02/70-03/73 US Navy Test Pilot School; Test Pilot, Flying Qualities and Performance Branch, Flight Test Division, Naval Air Test Center (T-28, A-4, T-1, S-2, T-38, TH-13, U-6, X-26, B-26, A-7, U-1, C-1, OV-10, F-4, F-8, T-2, UH-1, AH-1, F-14, T-39,

T-33).

04/73 Requal, VMFAT-201, MCAS Cherry Point, NC (F-4).

05/73-03/74 Staff Secretary to the Commanding

General, 1st MAW, Iwakuni Japan (C-117). 03/74-05/74 H&MS-15, Iwakuni Japan (C-117, A-4, F-4).

06/74-05/75 CO H&MS-10, MCAS Yuma, AZ (F-4).

05/75-07/76 CO VMFAT-101, MCAS Yuma, AZ (F-4).

07/76-08/76 Station Inspector, MCAS Yuma, AZ (F-4).

09/76-07/79 Headquarters US Marine Corps, Studies and Analysis, and Head, Anti-Air Warfare

Systems Section, Department of Aviation.

08/79-06/80 Student, Naval War College, Newport, RI.

08/80-06/82 Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, FMFPAC, Camp Smith, HI.

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Duty Assignment Chronology continued:

- 06/82-07/83 CO MAG-15, MCAS Iwakuni, Japan (F-4, PS-1, F-16, RF-4, C-12).
- 08/83-08/85 CO Marine Aviation Detachment, Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, MD (T-2 F-4, T-38, HAWK, PC-7, Andover, Alpha Jet, H-58, C-12, H-57, H-1, H-46, SNJ, BK-117, H-34, F-18).

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Recipient of the Empire Test Pilot School Award for the Outstanding Navy Preliminary Evaluation Report for US Navy Test Pilot School Class 56.
- (2) Recipient of the Navy League Steven B. Luce Award for Outstanding Performance in the College of Naval Warfare.
- (3) Elected a Member of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots on 11 January 1973.
- (4) While assigned to the Flying Qualities and Performance Branch, Flight Test Division, Naval Air Test Center: Participated in numerous experimental/developmental test flights that included:
 - First and Second Navy Preliminary Evaluations of the F-14A. Third Naval Aviator and first Marine to fly the F-14A.
 - First flight tests of the A-7, TF-P-408 engine-air frame combination.
 - High altitude take-off and landing performance testing of the A-7, TF-P-30
- (5) CO VMFAT-101: Squadron received CNO Aviation Safety Award.

Personal

After retiring from the Marine Corps in 1985, settled down in Waco Texas where I began second career in Financial Services with Merrill Lynch. Retired from Merrill in 2014. I have been active in many church, charitable and civic activities in Waco. Judy and I have enjoyed travelling, specially cruising, to many parts of the world. We have been blessed!