

Raymond J. Miller, CAPT, USCG (Ret.) "Ray"

Date of Designation: 8 May 1981 CG Aviator #2141

Dates of Active Duty: 21 Dec. 1977 - 1 Nov. 2002.

Total Flight Hours: 4600 FW: 2400 RW: 2200

Aviation Commands:

Coast Guard Air Station Savannah, GA 1999-2001.

Awards:

7/99-7/01

2 Distinguished Flying Crosses:

Night/fog/rain rescue of fisherman clinging to surfwashed rocks at base of cliff at Sombrio Point, British Columbia October 1995.

Night/wind/rain rescue of two from dismasted 32' sailing vessel battered by gale amidst sea spires at LaPush, WA February 1997.

- 2 Meritorious Service Medals.
- 4 Coast Guard Commendation Medals with Operational device.

Duty Assignment Chronology

12/77-4/78	USCG OCS, Yorktown, VA.
4/78-7/80	National Response Center, CGHQ Wash, DC
7/80-5/81	Student Naval Aviator, Pensacola, FL.
5/81-3/85	Duty HH-52A Pilot, CGAS San Francisco,
	CA.
3/85-1/89	HH-52A and Ship-Helo Mgr, CGHQ Wash.
	DC.
1/89-7/94	RG-8 Pilot, CA-212 Pilot, H-65 Pilot,
	F/W OPS Officer, CGAS Miami, FL.
7/94-7/99	Ops Officer - fleet to XO, CGAS/GRU Port
	Angeles WA

CO, CGAS Savannah, GA.



7/01-11/02 Chief, SAR Program, CGHQ Wash., DC.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Duty Pilot, CGAS San Francisco: During night helicopter rescue of two persons from the burning petroleum tanker *Puerto Rican* near Golden Gate CA, utilized experimental electro-optical infrared sensor to search for trapped crew and visualize temperatures of smoke-obscured deck areas to determine least hazardous hoisting location.
- (2) Ship-Helo Ops Manager, CGHQ: Modified USCG shipboard helicopter operations policies and procedures to enhance USCG/USN interoperability. Participated in dynamic interface testing of first USCG RRS system on CGC *MORGENTHAU* in Gulf of Alaska.
- (3) NVD Project Officer, CGHQ and RG-8A Senior Pilot & Instructor, CGAS Miami FL: Participated in USCG NVD testing and employed them as leader of RG-8A motor-glider project team to conduct narcotics and migrant interdiction, fisheries and environmental law enforcement, and SAR missions. Participated in several night multi-agency operations. Provided training to NTPS students and instructors in use of NVDs, covert aerial surveillance tactics, and motor-glider flight.
- (4) OPS Officer, CGAS Port Angeles WA: Applied NVG experience to effect safe completion of four challenging helicopter SAR missions that saved five lives. Coached unit crews on NVG skills.
- (5) CO, CGAS Savannah GA: Led unit to become the first USCG Air Station to implement full capability for NVD use in all helicopter night flight regimes.