

Jimmie W. Taylor, RADM USN (Ret.) "Jimmie"

Date of Designation: 30 September 1958

Dates of Active Duty: 28 February 1957 - 1 August 1991

Total Flight Hours: 4,988

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 997

Approximate Flight Hours: Jet: 4,500 Prop: 488 VF/VA: 4,500 VT: 488

Combat Tours:

- Vietnam: USS Constellation (CVA-64), Apr. 1966- Oct. 1966 (C-1) USS Constellation (CVA-64), Mar. 1967-Aug.
 - 1967 (C-1) VF-51, USS *Bon Homme Richard*, June 1968-Oct. 1968 (F-8H)
 - VF-51, USS *Bon Homme Richard*, April 1969-Oct. 1969 (F-8J)
 - VF-51, USS Bon Homme Richard, April 1970-Aug. 1970 (F-8J)

VF-2, USS *Enterprise* April 1975 (F-14) Total Combat Missions: 188 (187 (F-8), 1 (F-14))

Aviation Commands:

CO,VF-2, April 1975-June 1976 (F-14)

- Commander, Navy Blue Force, Aim/Ace Eval July 1976-Dec. 1977 (F-14)
- Commander, Train Air Wing 2, June 1982-Aug. 1984 (A-4, T-2)
- Chief of Naval Air Training, June 1988-July 1991 (A-4, T-2, T-34, T-44, T-37, T-38, H-57, PC-9, T-45, MB-339, F-16, A-7, IA-63, T-43)

<u>Combat Awards:</u> Air Medal with Numeral "7"



Duty Assignment Chronology

| 10/58-7/59 | VF-124 (DUINS) (TV-2 F-8). |
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| 7/59-11/61 | VF-142 Ordinance Officer, Welfare Officer, |
| | NAS Miramar (F-8). |
| 11/61-6/62 | VF-132 Supply Oficer, NAS Cecil (F-8). |
| 6/62-8/62 | Naval Justice School, Naval Base, Newport, |
| | RI (DUINS). |
| 8/62-8/65 | VF-174 Weapons Training Officer, NAS Cecil |
| | Field, FL (F-8). |
| 8/65-10/65 | VX-4, NAS Pt Mugu, CA (C-45). |
| 10/65-9/67 | USS Constellation (CVA 64) Air Launch |
| | Missile OFFICER (C-1, T-28). |
| 9/67-6/68 | VF-124 Asst. Ops.Off., NAS Miramar (F-8). |
| 6/68-8/70 | VF-51 Ops. Officer, NAS Miramar USS |
| | Bon Homme Richard (F-8H/J). |
| 8/70-1/74 | VF-124 Ops. Officer, NAS Miramar (F-8, |
| | TA-4J, F-14). |
| 1/74-4/75 | XO, VF-2, NAS Miramar (F-14). |
| 4/75-6/76 | CO, VF-2, NAS Miramar USS Enterprise |
| | (F-14). |
| 9/76-12/77 | VX-4 Det. OIC, Nellis AFB (F-14). |
| 12/77-6/79 | Naval Admin. Command, NTC San Diego, |
| | CA (DUINS). |
| 6/79-5/81 | USS Coral Sea (CV 43) Ops. Off. (C-1). |
| 5/81-6/82 | Commander Fighter/AEW Wing, Pacific |
| | C/S NAS Miramar (F-14 F-8 TA-4). |
| 6/82-8/84 | Commander, Training Air Wing TWO, NAS |
| | Kingsville, TX (A-4 T-2). |
| 8/84-12/85 | Office of CNO, Head, Aviation Plans and |
| | Programs Division (OP 508). |
| 12/85-6/88 | Vice Chief of Naval Education and Training. |
| 6/88-7/91 | Chief of Naval Air Training (A-4, T-2, T-34, |
| | T-44, T-37, T-38, H-57, PC-9, T-45, MB-339, |
| | F-16, A-7, IA-63, T-43). |
| 1 Aug 1991 | Retired from active duty. |

Summary of Significant Career Events

RADM Jimmie Taylor hails from Nashville, Tennessee. He attended the University of Tennessee and Middle Tennessee

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State University, earning his BA from San Diego State University. Taylor entered flight training in February 1957 and received his wings in September 1958. Most of his career was spent in the cockpits of F-8 Crusaders and F-14 Tomcats aboard most of the Navy's aircraft carriers. He was the first fleet F-14 demo pilot, demonstrating the fighter across the United States and Europe, including the 1973 Le Bourqet Airshow in Paris, France.

He served as CO of the first F-14 squadron to make a fleet deployment. While aboard USS *Enterprise* in 1975, he participated in the first F-14 combat sorties during Operation Frequent Wind, which concluded US presence in Vietnam with the evacuation of Saigon. He also completed six carrier combat cruises between 1965 and 1975 while accumulating 188 combat missions.

Taylor's specialty is aircrew training in both the undergraduate and graduate levels. He served with the Operational Test and Evaluation Force, the Education and Training Command, and the Air Training Command. His assignments included: Chief of Naval Air Training Command; Vice Commander, Naval Education and Training Command; Head, Aviation Plans and Programs at Naval Operations Headquarters for Air Warfare; Commander, Training Air Wing 2; and Chief of Staff, Fighter and Airborne Early Warning Wing, Pacific.

Taylor serves as a board member for the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce and the Vice Chairman of Armed Services. As such, he oversees the interface between the civilian and military communities with the Staff Vice President of Armed Services. This includes maintaining consistent and proper communication with area military commands, Navy, Department of Defense and Congressional delegations, and maintaining ongoing interface with local, Washington and national military active and retired leadership regarding Department of Defense and Navy programs and initiatives.