



Jeremiah A. Denton, Rear Admiral, USN (Ret.)
 “Jerry”

Date of Designation: 1 October 1948 (LTA) NA # V-3686
 1 October 1953 (HTA)

Dates of Active Duty: 5 June 1946 - 1 November 1977

Total Flight Hours: 7,160

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 186

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 300 Prop: 3,460 VF/VA: 1,800
 LTA: 1,600

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-75 (A-6A), USS *Independence* (CVA-62),
 Jun. - Jul. 1965. 13 combat missions as Air Wing
 strike leader.

Aviation Commands:

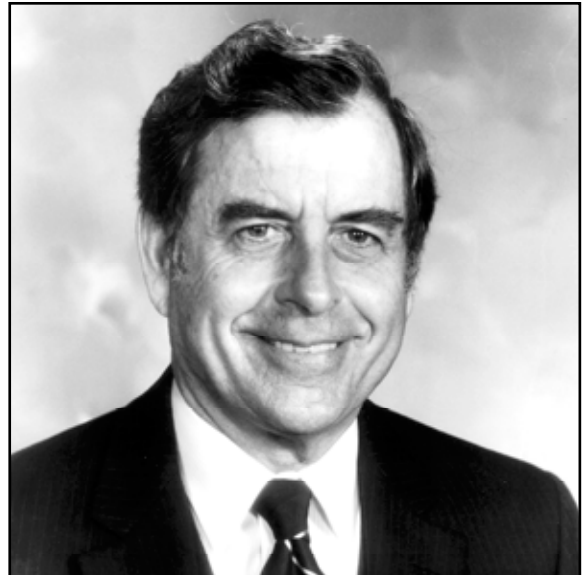
CO, VA-73 four months, 1964 (Squadron shutdown to
 transition from A-1E to A-6A aircraft)

Combat Awards:

Navy Cross
 3 Silver Stars
 Distinguished Flying Cross
 5 Bronze Stars
 2 Air Medals

Duty Assignment Chronology

6/46-1/48 USS *Valley Forge* (CV-45), Communications.
 1/48-11/48 ZP-2, Lighter-Than-Air (LTA) training.
 11/48-4/50 ZP-2, Tactics Officer. Promoted to LTJG 6/49
 4/50-4/52 CNATE, Test Pilot
 4/52-10/53 CNABTRA, Student Pilot. Promoted to LT
 4/52



10/53-6/56 VW-2, Pilot. Tour included 11 months as
 Project Officer and Test Pilot at Naval Air Test
 Center (NATC) Patuxent River, MD.
 6/56-7/58 Staff, COMSIXTHFLT (Air Defense Officer).
 Promoted to LCDR 2/58.
 8/58-1/59 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA.
 1/59-8/61 CNABATRA, Flight Instructor. Squadron
 Leader of VT-22.
 8/61-1/62 VA-42 (A-1H). Pilot training for A-1H
 Replacement Pilot.
 1/62-4/63 XO, VA-75 (A-1H). Promoted to CDR 7/62.
 4/63-8/63 CO, VA-75 (A-1H).
 9/63-6/64 Naval War College, Newport, RI. Student/
 Pilot.
 7/64-2/65 VA-42 (A-6A). Pilot training for A-6A.
 2/65-7/65 CAW-7 Staff, Operations Officer. (VA-75
 PCO, flew with squadron daily).
 7/65-2/73 POW, Hanoi, Vietnam. Acting Senior Officer
 (SRO) for all POW's: 10/65 - 1/67 and
 1/69 - 11/70.
 2/73-12/73 Assigned to COMNAVAIRLANT for writing
 fitness reports, recommendations for awards,
 decorations and courts martial for former
 POWs.
 1/74-6/77 Commandant, Armed Forces Staff College,
 Norfolk, VA.
 6/77-10/77 CNET (Revising Navy Leadership training).
 11/1/77 Retired from active duty.
 1/80-11/86 U. S. Senate. Senator from Alabama.
 1/87-1/89 Chairman, Presidential Commission on
 Merchant Marine and occasional defense con-
 sultant to Randall Corporation.