



Dan J. Harrington, Captain, USN (Ret.)
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Date of Designation: 26 March 1941 NA # 7170
 Jet Pilot # 25

Dates of Active Duty: 2 June 1938 - 1 July 1968

Total Flight Hours: 3,000

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 50

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 50 Prop: 2,940 Helo: 10 VF/VA: 3,000
 VR/VP: 50 HS/HC/HU: 10 LTA: 10

Combat Tours:

WW II: VO, USS *Colorado*, 1942 - 1943.
 VB-5, USS *Yorktown*, 1943 - 1945
 Total 100 missions

Aviation Commands:

Senior Aviator, USS *Colorado*, 1942 - 1943.
 CO, VB-5, USS *Yorktown*, 1943 - 1945.
 CO, NAS China Lake, CA, 1951 - 1953.
 CO, NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL., 1957 - 1959.

Combat Awards:

2 Distinguished Flying Crosses
 3 Air Medals
 Presidential Unit Citation

Duty Assignment Chronology

1934-1938 Midshipman, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.
 1938-1940 Ensign, USS *Nashville* and USS *Phoenix*.
 1940-1941 Flight training, Pensacola, FL.
 1941-1943 Senior Aviator, USS *Colorado*.
 1943-1945 CO, Bombing Squadron 5, USS *Yorktown*.
 1945-1947 Flight Test, Patuxent River, MD.

1947-1949 Postgraduate School (Aviation Ordnance), Annapolis, MD., Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and then Naval Ordnance Test Station (NOTS), Inyokern, CA.
 1949-1950 Aviation Plans, Bureau of Ordnance, Washington, D. C.
 1950-1951 Air Operations Officer, Alaskan Sea Frontier.
 1951-1953 CO, NAS China Lake, CA.
 1953-1955 Operations Officer, USS *Midway* (CVA-41).
 1955-1957 Force Operations Officer, COMNAVAIR-LANT, Norfolk, VA.
 1957-1959 CO, NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL.
 1959-1961 Readiness Training Officer, Operations, CINCLANTFLT, CINCLANT, SACLANT, Norfolk, VA
 1961-1963 Chief of Staff, Naval Air Basic Training, Pensacola, FL.
 1963-1965 Chief of Staff, COMFAIR Hawaii, Barbers Point, Oahu, HI.
 1965-1967 Inspector General, 12th Naval District, San Francisco, CA.
 1967-1968 Chief of Staff, COMFAIR Miramar, San Diego, CA.
 7/1/68 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Early jet pilot #25.
- (2) Test pilot for two years, 1945 - 1947.
- (3) Most important assignment was Force Operations Officer, COMNAVAIRLANT.