



John B. Maas, Jr., Colonel, USMC (Ret.)
 “Jack”

Date of Designation: 9 January 1942 NA # 11015

Dates of Active Duty: 5 May 1941 - 28 June 1968

Total Flight Hours: 5,425

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 62

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 1,800 Prop: 3,600 VF/VA: 4,000

Combat Tours:

WW II: VMF-112 (F4F & F4U), Nov. 1942 - Jul. 1943
 Guadalcanal - 82 combat missions.

WW II: VMF-322 (F4U), Apr. 45 - Jun. 1945, Okinawa -
 39 combat missions.

Korea: VMF-115 (F9F), Jul. 1952 - Feb. 1953 -
 77 combat missions.

Aviation Commands:

CO, VMF-155 (Jun. 1945 - Oct. 1945).

CO, VMF-115 (Jul. 1952 - Feb. 1953).

CO, MGCIS-3 (Mar. 1953 - May 1953).

CO, MARTD, NAS Squantum/S.Weymouth (Jul. 53-Jul. 55)

CO, VMA- 332 (Jun. 1958 - Oct. 1960).

CO, MAG-31 (Apr. 1962 - Jun, 1963).

Combat Awards:

3 Distinguished Flying Crosses (1-Guadalcanal, 1-Okinawa
 and 1-Korea).

Bronze Star with Combat “V” (Korea)

9 Air Medals (WW II and Korea)

Duty Assignment Chronology

6/41-1/42 Flight Training NAS Pensacola & NAS Miami

2/42-3/42 MCAS Quantico, VA.

4/42-5/42 Fighter Director School, NAS Norfolk, VA.



- 6/42-8/42 Advanced Carrier Training Group, NAS North
 Island, California.
- 9/42-7/43 VMF-112, Camp Kearney & Guadalcanal.
- 8/43-12/43 Fighter Instructor, MCAS El Toro, CA.
- 1/44-1/45 VMF-451, MCAS Mojave, CA.
- 2/45-6/45 VMF-322, New Hebrides & Okinawa.
- 7/45-10/45 CO, VMF-155, Kwajalein.
- 11/45-6/46 VMF-912, MCAS Cherry Point, NC.
- 7/46-7/48 Assistant Naval Attache, U. S. Embassy,
 Caracas, Venezuela.
- 8/48-6/49 Marine Corps Schools, Quantico (Under
 Instruction).
- 7/49-10/50 XO, VMF-115, Edenton/Cherry Point.
- 11/50-12/51 XO, MGCIS-7 (Radar), MCAF New River.
- 1/52-6/52 Marine Corps Schools, Quantico - Student.
- 8/52-2/53 CO, VMF-115, K-3 Korea.
- 3/53-6/53 CO, MGCIS-3 (radar), Korea.
- 7/53-8/55 CO, MARTD, NAS Squantum/South
 Weymouth, MA.
- 9/55-5/ 56 Staff of CG, MCAS Cherry Point, NC.
- 6/56-5/58 XO, O&R Dept., MCAS Cherry Point, NC.
- 6/58-10/60 CO, VMA-332, Cherry Point/Iwakuni, Japan.
- 11/60-9/61 Airfield Operations Officer, MCAS Beaufort.
- 10/61-3/62 XO, MCAS Beaufort, SC.
- 4/62-6/63 CO, Marine Aircraft Group-31, MCAS
 Beaufort, SC.
- 7/ 63-7/66 G-3, Marine Air Reserve Training Command,
 Glenview, IL.
- 8/66-6/68 Staff, CG, FMFLANT, Norfolk, VA.
- 6/28/68 Retired from active duty

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Was with first group of pilots to carrier qualify aboard
 the USS *Wolverine* in Lake Michigan in September,
 1942 flying F4F's.
- (2) Designated a “Fighter Ace” in May 1945 having
 destroyed four (4) enemy aircraft at Guadalcanal
 (1942-1943) and one and a half (1 1/2) enemy aircraft
 at Okinawa (May 1945).