



Edwin D. McKellar, Jr., Captain, USN (Ret.)
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Date of Designation: 15 December 1950

Dates of Active Duty: June 1949 - May 1980.

Total Flight Hours: 4,610

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 561

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,750 Prop: 860 VF/VA: 3,150

Combat Tours:

Korea: VC-61, Oct. 51 - Mar. 52 - 65 combat missions

VC-61, Nov. 52 - Apr. 53 - 54 combat missions

Vietnam: VA-192, Nov. 66 - Apr. 67 - 147 combat missions

ACAW-8, Jun. 70 - Nov. 70 - 96 combat missions

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-192 (A-4 Squadron), 1966 - 1967.

CAG-8 (A-4, F-8, A-1), 1970.

CO, NAS Alameda, 1974 - 1976.

Combat Awards:

2 Silver Stars

2 Legions of Merit

3 Distinguished Flying Crosses

2 Bronze Stars

2 Navy Commendation Medals

30 Strike/Flight Air Medals



Duty Assignment Chronology

6/49-12/50 Flight training NAS Pensacola and NAS Corpus Christi.

1/50-4/54 VC-61, NAS Miramar - Two Korean Combat Cruises.

5/54-4/57 Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Team.

5/57-6/59 Catapult Officer, USS *Franklin D. Roosevelt*.

7/59-8/61 VA-76, NAS Oceana - Two Med deployments.

9/61-6/62 Naval War College, Command & Staff course.

7/ 62-9/62 Aide, Chief Bureau of Naval Weapons.

11/62-7/64 Aide, Commander Naval Air Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

8/64-8/65 VA 125 Training Officer and then Operations Officer.

9/65-12/67 XO then CO, VA 192, two combat cruises to Vietnam, deployed in USS *Ticonderoga*.

1/68-1/69 Executive Assistant, Deputy Chief of Naval Materiel.

2/69-2/70 San Diego State University Degree program.

3/70-12/70 Commander, CVW-8 deployed to Vietnam in USS *Shangri La*.

1/71-5/72 Operations Officer, CTF-77.

6/72-6/74 Executive Assistant to Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare).

7/74-7/76 CO, NAS Alameda, CA.

8/76-12/79 Chief of Staff, Cruiser-Destroyer Group Three.

12/79-5/80 On medical hold - then retired May 1980.

6/80-Present Executive Director, San Diego Aerospace Museum.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Blue Angles Demonstration Team.
- (2) 362 combat missions in Vietnam and Korea.