



Gordon L. Murray, Captain, USN (Ret.)
"Gordo"

Date of Designation: 1 November 1957

Dates of Active Duty: 1 September 1956 - 30 June 1981

Total Flight Hours: 4,146

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 1,032 arrested

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,950 Prop: 96 Helo: 6 VF: 3,950

VT: 300 Other: 144 logistics (COD)

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VF-102 (F-4), USS *America* (CVA-66), Mar. 1968 - Nov. 1968. 151 missions (129 over North Vietnam and 12 over South Vietnam. Aircraft sustained AAA damage on two occasions).

Aviation Commands:

CO, VF-33 (F-4), 1 June 1971 - 30 May 1972

Combat Awards:

Distinguished Flying Cross

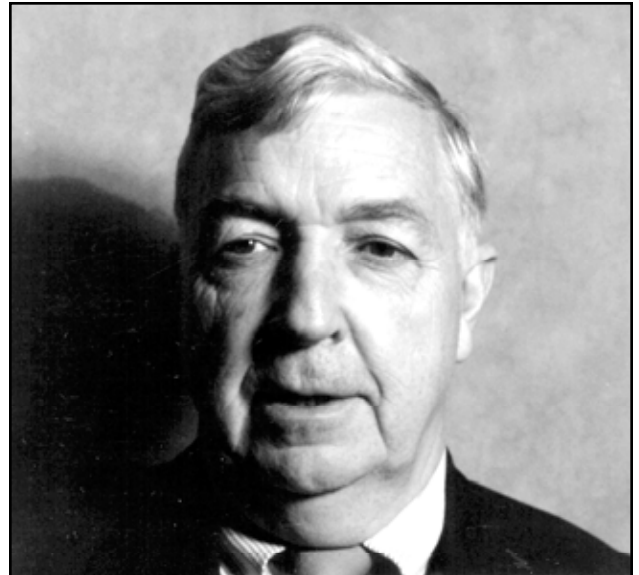
11 Air Medals (3 Individual and 8 Strike/Flight)

2 Navy Commendation Medals

Duty Assignment Chronology

Aircraft Flown: T-34, T-28, T-2V, R-4D, F-3H, C-1A, F9F-2, F9F-5, F9F-8, F-3D, F-4D, F-4A/B/J, A-4, F-111A.

Tours Include: VF-101 (4 times), VF-41, VF-74, VF-102, VF-33, USS *J. F. Kennedy* (Ops. and XO), BUPERS, NAVAIR (2 times), OP-506.



CVs Served On: USS *Roosevelt* (CVA-42), USS *Saratoga* (CVA-60), USS *Forrestal* (CVA-59), USS *Independence* (CVA-62), USS *America* (CVA-66), USS *John F. Kennedy* (CVA-67)

Deployments: 7 Mediterranean (average 7 months)
1 Pacific (Vietnam)

Education: University of Delaware, Graduated 1955. Armed Forces Staff College and Air War College

Present Positions: Manager, U.S. Navy Programs, Northrop Grumman, Washington, D. C.; Squadron Commander, Association of Naval Aviation; Member Golden Eagles; Navy League Board of Directors; and Vice President, Association of Naval Aviation.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) First F-4 Trans Lant without tanking and with tanking.
- (2) First "Bobby Sox" Skipper (LCDR/C.O).
- (3) First Centurion, USS *Independence* (F-3H).
- (4) First F-4 deployment.
- (5) Contributed to tests on-board USS *Forrestal* that proved carriers could defend themselves in an intense electronic warfare environment against repeated USAF simulated attacks.
- (6) Introduced F-4 air-to-ground attack to USAF in F-4 aircraft.
- (7) Influenced the USAF that the F-4 was superior to the F-106 in Project High Speed.