



**Harold P. Streeper, Captain, USN**  
"Jeep"

Date of Designation: 1 January 1943

Dates of Active Duty: 8 December 1941-10 December 1968

Total Flight Hours: 7,152

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 842

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 1,880 Prop: 5,272 VF/VA: 2,852  
VR/VP: 2,350 VS: 700 VT: 1,250

Combat Tours:

WW II: May 1944-June 1945. Philippine Islands: Samar, Mindora, Cebu City, Linguyen, Zamboango, Nichols Field (Manila). - 22 strike missions.  
Vietnam CO, USS *Hancock* (CVA-19). Conducted air strikes against North Vietnam from January to 1967-July 1967.

Aviation Commands:

O-in-C, VC-3 Team Delta. Special weapons 10 months cruise on USS *Essex*.  
CO, VF/VA-194, Jun. 1955-Oct. 1956. Night special weapons 10 month cruise on USS *Oriskany*.  
COMCVG-15, Feb. 1961-Sep. 1962. 9 month WestPac cruise on USS *Coral Sea*.  
CO, USS *Tulare* (AKA-112), Sep. 1965-Oct. 1966. 7 month Vietnam Operations (TF-76).  
CO, USS *Hancock* (CVA-19), Nov. 1966-Nov. 1967. Vietnam cruise, 10,000+ sorties.

Combat Awards:

2 Legion of Merit  
Distinguished Flying Cross  
Air Medal with 3 Gold Stars and one Oak Leaf Cluster  
Navy Commendation Medal



**Duty Assignment Chronology**

A native of Bridgeport, PA., Captain Streeper was graduated from the College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, in 1942 and immediately enlisted in the Navy as a Seaman. Shortly thereafter, he was appointed Aviation Cadet and, following completion of flight training, was commissioned Ensign and designated Naval Aviator on 1 January 1943.

During World War II he participated in combat operations with both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets and during Korean hostilities participated in action with Navy and Marine units. In early 1954, as Officer in Charge of Detachment DELTA, COMPOSITE SQUADRON THREE, he participated in the Fleet Test and Evaluation Projects of the original steam catapults installed in USS *Hancock*. In 1955 he commanded night jet all weather FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON 194 and in 1961-1962 commanded ATTACK CARRIER AIR GROUP FIFTEEN. During these years he was deployed in USS *Essex*, USS *Oriskany*, and USS *Coral Sea*.

From 1964 - 1965, Captain Streeper served as Operations Officer, CARRIER DIVISION ONE and TASK FORCE SEVENTY-SEVEN and was deployed again in USS *Hancock* and USS *Coral Sea* engaged in air strike operations in Vietnam. For this participation he was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Prior to coming to *Hancock* he was Commanding Officer of Amphibious Attack Cargo Ship USS *Tulare* (AKA-112), involved in amphibious assault operations for seven months in TASK FORCE SEVENTY-SIX in Vietnam. He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal for these operations.

Shore duty assignments include tours as a flight instructor at Pensacola, participation in the Berlin Air Lift, Assistant Operations Officer on the Staff of Commander Naval Forces, Far East, Naval Attaché to the Republic of Korea, two tours of duty on the Staff of the Chief of Naval Operations, and Force Training Officer for Commander Naval Air Force,

Pacific. He is a 1952 graduate of the General Line School at Monterey and a 1959 graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Additional awards include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with three Gold Stars and Oak Leaf Cluster, Presidential and Navy Unit Commendations, Medal for Humane Action for the Berlin Air Lift, Military Order ULCHI (Korean Legion of Merit) and numerous campaign and foreign medals. Also, the South Vietnam Government has awarded him the National Defense Decoration, Fifth Class and the Medal of Heroism with Willow Branch for his three years of participation in the Vietnamese war.

After retirement from the Navy, he was the former President/CEO of Ramage Development Corporation from 1973 to 1988. From 1988 to the present he was the Chairman of the Board of Ramage Development Corporation and Realty Corporation.