



Steven Tomaszewski, RADM USN (Ret.)
"Steve"

Hometown: Jersey City, NJ

High School and College career:

St Peter's Prep, 1968

USNA, Oceanography, Physics, 1972

Date Commissioned/Source: 1972 USNA

Date of Designation: 09 July 1976

Designation Number: R-13956

Dates of Active Duty: Jun 1972 - Oct 2005

Total Flight Hours: 3533

Carrier/Shipboard Landings: Rotary 347

Approximate Flight Hours: Jet: 60 Prop: 70 Helo: 3403

Combat Tours:

Operation Linebacker, Oct 1972

Enduring Freedom, Oct 2001 - Jul 2002

Anaconda, Mar 2002 - Jul 2002

Commands

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron FIVE

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron ONE

USS NEW ORLEANS, LPH-11

USS KITTY HAWK CV-63

Fleet Air Mediterranean (CTF-67/CTF-431)

USS JOHN F KENNEDY Strike Group

Awards:

Navy Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit (5)

Meritorious Service Medal (4)

Navy Commendation Medal (2)

Navy Achievement Medal

NOAA Administrator's Award, Joint Meritorious Unit

Award, Navy Unit Commendation (2)

Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation (3)

Navy Battle "E" (2)



Awards (cont):

Navy Expeditionary Medal (2)

National Defense Service Medal (3)

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Vietnam Service Medal

SW Asia Service Medal

Kosovo Campaign Medal

Afghanistan Campaign Medal

Global War on Terrorism Campaign Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Sea Service Deployment (6)

Navy & Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon (2)

United Nations Service Yugoslavia/Croatia Medal

Expert Rifle/Pistol Medals

Duty Assignment Chronology

03/77-01/80 HS-9 Division Officer, NAS Jacksonville

02/80-05/82 HS-1 FRS Instructor Pilot

06/82-11/83 Flag Secretary, Sea-based ASW Wings Atlantic

12/83-02/84 HS-1 FRS refresher training NAS Jacksonville

03/84-03/86 HS-9 Department Head, NAS Jacksonville

04/86-11/88 HS-5 XO/CO NAS Jacksonville

12/88-11/89 OP-05 Navy Staff Pentagon

12/89-06/91 CO HS-1 SH-3H FRS. NAS Jacksonville

07/91-08/91 Surface Warfare School Cmd. Newport, RI

09/91-02/93 XO USS JOHN F KENNEDY (CV-67)

03/93-06/93 Surface Warfare School Cmd. Newport, RI

07/93-12/93 Amphibious Squadron 5, USNS San Diego

01/94-07/95 CO USS NEW ORLEANS (LPH-11)

08/95-03/96 Chief of Staff Navy Region SW. San Diego, CA

04/96-06/96 CO, Pipeline Training

07/96-07/97 CO USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63)

08/97-06/99 Senior US Naval Officer, SHAPE, Belgium

07/99-06/01 Commander, Fleet Air Mediterranean. CTF-67 (MPA)/CTF-431 (Maritime Air Force South, NATO)/CTF-63 (Logistics), Navy Region Europe, (Sigonella, Rota; Naval Support Activities: Naples/London/La Maddalena/Sardinia) Naples, Italy

Duty Assignment Chronology (cont)

07/01-08/02 Commander, USS JOHN F KENNEDY (CV-67) Strike Group, NS Mayport, FL

09/02-06/03 Naval Personnel Command, NSA Midsouth, Millington, TN

07/03-09/05 Oceanographer of the Navy, Washington, DC

10/05 Retired, US Navy

Summary of Significant Career Events

Passed flight physical 06/74 qualifying for intra-service warfare specialty transfer. Attained all Surface Line officer qualifications

As maintenance officer, HS-9, experienced catastrophic tail rotor failure at altitude, NS Mayport. Performed auto rotation which all helicopter pilots routinely practice ashore. Class "C" mishap. No injuries to crew. Only broke tail wheel off and collapsed struts. Helicopter repaired and flew again. Yes, it gets really quiet when you turn both engines off

Earned three Sikorsky "Winged S" Rescue Awards for rescuing HS-9 helicopter pilot and aircrewman in 01/78 and two Sailors in separate nighttime overboard incidents, 02/78 and 12/84. Nimitz Sailor fell from fantail and was quickly spotted. Eisenhower Sailor went overboard after driving yellow gear into the flight deck net. We launched from alert status after midnight and found him quickly. HS-9 crew crashed into the stack of a burning Indian merchant ship while attempting to deliver a P-250 firefighting pump; the other two crewmembers were recovered by MWB

Onboard USS Nimitz in HS-9 during Operation Eagle Claw (04/80). Iranian hostage rescue mission

As CO, HS-5, deployed with seven SH-3H helicopters, USS Eisenhower (CVN-69). The seventh helicopter deployed on USS Peterson (DD-969) filling a gap in available LAMPS assets. This detachment supported organically without additional personnel required

As CO, HS-5 nominated for Admiral Stockdale Leadership Award

As OP-503, Carrier-based Helicopter Program Coordinator, part of team evaluating/procuring Night Vision Goggles (NVGs) for SH-3H. During follow-on tour as CO, HS-1 (FRS), developed and granted approval for NVG syllabus for carrier based helicopters

Community Swap: As CO, HS-1, with my HSL-40 FRS CO counterpart, we proposed a "one-tour community swap" for two top lieutenants. Approved by CNAL, the plan let them experience their counterpart's HS or HSL deployments and then choose what community was best for them. RADM (then LT) John Smith accepted the

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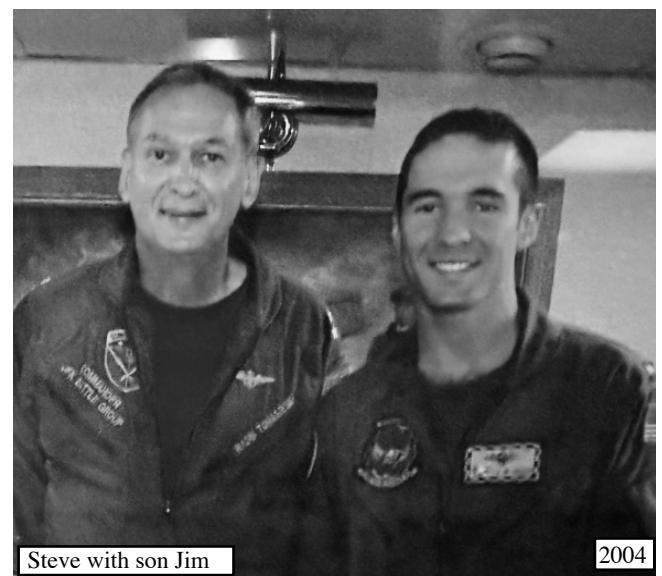
challenge, excelled with HSL-43 DET 1 aboard USS FORD (FF-54), returned to HS to command HS-11 and HS-10 and carried that broader warfighting experience into the flag ranks

As CO, USS New Orleans, served as the Amphibious Ready Group's flagship during Operation Restore Hope, Somalia

As CO, USS NEW ORLEANS, hosted Astronaut Captain Jim Lovell, USN (Ret.), production crew and actors of the movie "APOLLO 13" for a day of filming the movie's final scene (11/94). 100 Sailors had cameos

As CO, USS KITTY HAWK, first conventionally powered carrier to deploy with a gender-integrated crew (1996)

Commissioned my son, Jim, future Blue Angel, an Ensign, USN (12/00). Also commissioned his OCS roommate, Michael P. Murphy, that day. Attended Lieutenant Murphy's posthumous MOH award ceremony in White House (10/07)



Designated an "Honorary Chief Petty Officer" by CPO Mess, NSA Naples, Italy (05/01)

First helicopter pilot selected to command a Carrier Strike Group

USS JOHN F KENNEDY Strike Group was scheduled to get underway sequentially from 0600-1000 on September 11, 2001, for final predeployment exercise. We were immediately redirected to support Operation Noble Eagle following 9/11 terrorist attacks. The Strike Group provided air security along the mid-Atlantic seaboard, including over Washington, DC, and later deployed from February to August 2002 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Anaconda

Naval Helicopter Association's annual Helicopter Squadron Commanding Officer's Leadership Award named in my honor since 2014. Humbling...

Honored to have served 33 years in the company of our nation's finest Sailors and Marines

Summary of Post Military Work

Vice President, Navy-Marine Corps Programs, Lockheed
Martin Corporation, 2006-2016

Associations

Naval Helicopter Association:
Chairman of the Board 2007–2014,
Trustee: 2015-present
US Naval Academy Alumni Association
Association of Naval Aviation
National Naval Aviation Museum Foundation

Personal

Liz and I married in December 1973. We have three
accomplished married children: Michael (Emery), James
(Rachelle) and Mary (Mark) and are blessed with five
grandchildren: Logan, Roman, Vera, Jack, Elyse

In July 2018 I broke my neck body surfing during a
family vacation. Unconscious, and drifting out to sea, I
was rescued by my son, Mike and SIL, Mark. After 5
months of intensive medical care/PT/OT I recovered from
quadriplegia. Regaining mobility in 2019, I live with
tetraparesis (muscle weakness affecting all four limbs)
with the daily support of Liz and my family. Unfocused
situational awareness!

We enjoy living in southern Maryland, travel often to visit
grandchildren and are active in several local volunteer or-
ganizations (Knights of Columbus, Special Needs
Ministry, Red Cross)