



Richard Bordone, Captain, USN (Ret.)
 “Dick”

Date of Designation: August 1955

Dates of Active Duty: June 1954 - June 1980

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-75 (A-6A), USS *Independence*, 1965,

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-75 (A-6A), USS *Saratoga*, 1969 (Mediterranean).
 Commander, Carrier Air Wing THREE (A-6, A-7, F-4H),
 USS *Saratoga*, 1972 - 1973.
 CO, USS *Savannah* (AOR-4), 1975 - 1976
 CO, USS *Franklin D. Roosevelt* (CV-42), 1976 - 1977.

Combat Awards:

4 Silver Stars
 6 Distinguished Flying Crosses
 Bronze Star
 19 Air Medals
 2 Purple Hearts
 4 Navy Commendation Medals with Combat “V”

Duty Assignment Chronology

1954 Graduate U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.
 1955 Designated Naval Aviator (SNJ-TV2-F9F).
 First operational squadron, VA 44, NAS Jacksonville, FL. (F2H-2; F-9, A-4).
 1959 Project Officer, Initial Trials Phase for Special Weapons (BIS Trials A-2F), Naval Air Special Weapons Facility, Albuquerque, NM. (F-4J, F-3H, A-4, A-6A, AD-6, R-4D, S-2F & T-2V).
 1963-1965 VA-75. First operational A-6A squadron (1963) First A-6A deployment, West Pac (1965) USS *Independence* (CVA-62).
 1966 Joined VA-85 (A-6A), West Pac, USS *Kitty Hawk* (CVA-63).



1969 CO, VA-75 (A-6A) , USS *Saratoga* (CVA-60).
 Mediterranean deployment.
 1970 U. S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island (T-28).
 1972-1973 Commander Carrier Air Wing THREE (A-6, A-7, F-4H), USS *Saratoga* (CVA-60). West Pac deployment.
 1974 COMNAVAIRLANT Staff, Air Wing Training Officer.
 1975-1976 CO, USS *Savannah* (AOR-4).
 1976-1977 CO, USS *Franklin D. Roosevelt* (CV-42).
 1977-1980 Chief of Staff, COMNAVAIRLANT.
 June 1980 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) Captain Bordone is married to the former Miss Mary Belle Skinner of New Bethlehem, PA. Captain and Mrs. Bordone reside in Virginia Beach, VA. They have four children; Renee, Michael, Robert and Andrea and seven grandchildren.