



**Lawrence Richard, Col., USMC (Ret.)**  
“Stick”

Hometown: Levittown, PA

College: Penn State

Dates on Active Duty: September 1965 - December 1978

Date Commissioned/Source:  
Sept 1967/MARCAD Program

Date of Designation: September 1967 V-25737

Total Flight Hours: 4362: Jet - 4372, Prop - 25,  
Other - MIG 17-19 Hours

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed 10

Combat tours:  
Sept 1968-October 1969 DaNang/Chu Lai Republic of Vietnam. 364  
combat missions in the F-4 Phantom.  
May 1972-October 1972 Udorn Airbase, Thailand, 86 combat mis-  
sions; USAF F-4

Combat missions: 450

Awards:  
Silver Star  
DFC - 4 awards  
Single Mission Air Medal - 1 Award  
Air Medal - 33 Awards  
Navy Commendation Medal with Combat V - 1 Award

### **Duty Assignment Chronology**

09/68-09/69 Combat tour, Republic of Vietnam -364 com-  
bat missions. Awarded three Distinguished Flying Crosses,  
26 Air Medals.



01/70 Chosen to attend Top Gun in the second class  
conducted by the school.

1971 Selected for exchange duty with the USAF  
and assigned to 58th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Eglin AFB,  
FL.

05/72 Deployed to Udorn AFB, Thailand. Flew 86  
combat missions.

08/12/72 Engaged two MIG 21s over North Vietnam,  
destroying one.

07/73 Selected as one of the first two Marine Top  
Gun Instructors.

07/75 Assigned as a Marine Air Training Unit  
Atlantic F-4 Tactics Instructor at MCAS Beaufort, SC.

01/79 Transferred to Marine Corps Reserves

01/92 Retired from Marine Corps service

### **Post Military Activities**

- (1) Pilot with Western Airlines and UPS.
- (2) Currently a franchisee with Firehouse Subs
- (3) Owner and operator of an equestrian facility.