

USMC Class 38th OCC/BC 3-66 Alumni Profiles



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After leaving Quantico: Supply Officer School, Camp Lejeune; Supply Officer, Maintenance Battalion, 1st Force Service Regiment, Camp Pendleton.

Attached To: Marine Detachment, USS Bon Homme Richard, CVA-31

Jobs in Nam: Commanding Officer, Marine Detachment

Locations in Nam: Off the coast of North/South Vietnam

Operations in Nam: Between August 1968 and August 1970, the carrier provided air support during several operations in Vietnam as well as bombing targets in Cambodia, and Laos

Experiences to Share:

Best:

Working with some of the finest Naval Aviators (besides Marines of course) in the world.

Favorite Memories:

In Service:

Had the honor and the privilege to serve with The Armed Forces Inaugural Committee during President Reagan first Inauguration. Working with so many fine fellow service members from other countries including most of the NATO Countries, and many Latin American Countries.

Medals Received:

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation ribbons, and Vietnamese Unit Award ribbon; The Defense Superior Service Medal, The Legion of Merit (2), Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Services Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal. I also received the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal (unit award), and other minor ribbon-type awards.

Jobs:

In Service:

Defense Language Institute (Arabic Language), Washington, DC; CO, 2nd Radio Bn, Camp Lejeune; CO, Co. I, Marine Support Bn, Nicosia, Cyprus; CO, Supply Co., 2nd Supply Bn, S-3, 2nd Supply Bn, S-3, Logistics Support Grp-4, OIC, SASSY Management Unit, (all during a four year tour in Camp Lejeune); Supply/ Fiscal Officer, 4th Marine Amphibious Brigade, aboard the USS Mount Whitney, LCC-20; Staff Officer, Hdqrs, U.S. Marine Corps, Washington DC; Special Assistant and Marine Corps Aide to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Washington, DC; G-4, 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp

Pendleton; J-4, US Southern Command, Republic of Panama (planned and participated in Operation "Just Cause" which removed dictator Manuel Noriega from power in Panama); Dir., Maintenance Directorate, Marine Corps Logistics Bases, Albany, GA; Commander, Marine Corps Multi-Commodity Maintenance Center, Marine Corps Logistic Base, Barstow, CA

After Service:

Upon my retirement in October 1994, I went to work in the public school system as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal during a nine year span. For the past four years I have been working, part time, as a counselor in a community college.

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