

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

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After leaving Quantico: Flight school; Fla. Miss. TX. Then on to El Toro in Apr. '67, Vietnam Sept. '67

Vietnam Tour: September 1967 – May 1969. Off the coast on the USS Inchon HMM-164 December 1972 – late January 1973

Attached To: VMA311, ALO 3rd BN, 5th MAR, HMM-164

Jobs in Nam: Pilot and SLJO

Locations in Nam: Chu Lai, DaNang Valley, Phu Bai and I Corps, Laos, across the DMZ

Operations in Nam: Standard stuff; attack support for the grunts and ALO stuff for 3/5 in the field

Experiences to Share:

Best:

Supporting the infantry

Favorite Memories:

After Service:

Having two kids

Jobs:

In Service:

Standard stuff; Naval Air Training CMD, AWS, 1st, 2nd, 3rd MAW, 1st Mar Div, HQMC, NWC; CO VMAT-203, CO MAG 13, Air Off 3rd MAR DIV, G-3 1st MAW

Other Comments:

I was sent directly to Pensacola after OCS...No TBS! If I had attended TBS my life might have been very different! In '68 while with 3/5 my CO wanted to make me a letter company CO! Because I had not been to TBS the Reg. CO, Col. Graham (later a BG) said no way!!! A decision that probably saved many Marine lives (including mine!)

The Marine Corps was good for me. It gave me something to believe in and kept me off the streets! I'm not rich except in memories!