

Personius Awards (Under Construction)

Graduated Elmira Southside High School – 23 June 1976

Graduated #19 in a Class of **XXX**

Graduated United States Naval Academy – 28 May 1980

HT-18 – Instructor of the Month – **XXX of 19XX**

Nominated as Naval Aide to the President of the United States – 1993

Nominated as Naval Helicopter Association (NHA) Trustee – May 1998

Selected as Naval Aide to the Deputy Director of United States Space Command
– VADM Bill Dougherty, USN

Commander Command – Commanding Officer of Helicopter Combat Support Squadron ELEVEN (HC-11 Gunbearers)

- Received Battle Efficiency Award

- CNAP CNO Safety Award

- Nominated and Runner Up for the VADM James B. Stockdale Award for Inspirational Leadership

- Graduate of the Naval War College while also earning a Master's Degree in Management from Webster University.

Bonus Command – Commanding Officer of Helicopter Combat Support Squadron THREE (HC-3 Pac Rats)

- Received Ellyson Award as Best Fleet Replacement Squadron in the Navy

- Received the CNO's Theodore J. Ellison Award for operational and production excellence two years in a row.

- Selected as number one Fleet Readiness Squadron and number one of 15 FRS' in the Navy (both fixed and rotary wing).

- CNO personally presented this award as this accomplishment was achieved despite overall 80% FRS manning (lowest FRS manning in the fleet), flying 35 plus year old aircraft while transitioning the squadron to the MH-60S helicopter.

- 1999 CNO Safety Award Winner

Major Command – Commanding Officer of USS PELELIU, LHA-5

- Promoted to CAPTAIN USN by Vice President Dick Chaney – 15 March 2002

- Battle Efficiency Award

- CNO Safety Award

- Golden Anchor Retention Award

- Gold and Silver Warfare Pennants

- CNO Self Sufficient Ship

Selected as Deputy Director of the Navy Staff (Executive Assistant to the Director of the Navy Staff) for:

- ADM Mark P. "Lobster" Fitzgerald, USN
- VADM John D. "Boomer" Stufflebeam, USN
- ADM John C. Harvey, USN

Liaison & Support Command – Officer in Charge (OIC) MH-60R/S Fleet Introduction Team (FIT)
Recipient of CINCPACFLT Stan Arthur Award for Logistics Excellence

Retired From US Navy with 30 Years of Dedicated Service – 28 May 2010

Lifelong Service to Naval Helicopter Association Award – May 2019

Dedication Ceremony for CDR Clyde E. Lassen, USN (Ret.) Medal of Honor Helicopter Memorial
– 25 Jan 2025

NHA Chairman's Award – Project Manager for the CDR Clyde E. Lassen, USN (Ret.) Medal of Honor Memorial 2025

Nominated as Naval Aviation Golden Eagle – April 2026

NHA Mark Starr Pioneer Award – 13 May 2026

Inducted Into the Coronado Avenue of Heroes – 16 May 2026