

Malcolm Everett Garrison was born in Keyport, New Jersey on March 29, 1910. He was graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and commissioned Ensign on June 2, 1932.

Following graduation, he joined the USS Maryland and then he was attached to the Submarine School, New London, Connecticut. After Submarine School he served aboard the USS S-39 until August 1938 and then on the USS S-20 as Torpedo Officer. From January 1939 to August 1940 he was Assistant Planning Officer at the Navy Yard, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

After serving as Executive Officer aboard the USS Trout he joined the staff of Commander Submarine, U.S. Pacific Fleet until April 1942. On October 9, 1943 he received command of the USS Sand Lance. While in command of the Sand Lance he was awarded the Navy Cross, a Gold Star in lieu of the second Navy Cross, the Bronze Star Medal with Combat"V". In addition he received a Letter of Commendation with authorization to wear the Commendation Ribbon and Combat"V". He also has the Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon, the China Service Medal with star, the American Defense Service Medal, the American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with silver star, the World War II Victory Medal, and the United Nations Service Medal.

Before becomming Commanding Officer of the USS Everglades Captain Garrison was Commanding Officer of the Submarine Base, Pearl Harbor.