

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

EDWARD T. WALKER, JR. USN

Lieutenant Commander Edward Thomas WALKER, Jr. is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Class of 1960. Following graduation, he attended Submarine School in New London, Connecticut from July to December 1960.

From January 1961 to November 1962, Lieutenant Commander WALKER served on board USS TIRANTE (SS-420) as Assistant Engineer and Communicator. Following his tour on board this ship he reported to the commissioning crew of USS DANIEL WEBSTER (SSBN-626) (Blue), which was then under construction at Groton, Connecticut. Enroute to DANIEL WEBSTER, he attended the SSBN Navigator Course at the Naval Guided Missile School, Dam Neck, Virginia. During his five Polaris deterrent patrols on board DANIEL WEBSTER, he served in a variety of billets including Communicator, Operations Officer, and Navigator. Detached in October 1965, Lieutenant Commander WALKER reported to the Staff of Commander Submarine Flotilla SIX to serve as Aide and Flag Lieutenant.

Lieutenant Commander WALKER's next assign-

wolador (SS-490), home-ported in San Diego. Reporting on board in September 1968, he was detached in May 1970 to report to USS CAIMAN (SS-323) as Executive Officer. He remained in that position until CAIMAN was decommissioned in June 1972. For his service as Executive Officer of CAIMAN, he was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal.

Prior to reporting to **USS CAMDEN** (AOE-2) as Executive Officer in August 1973, Lieutenant Commander WALKER attended the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, graduating in June 1973. He also earned a Master's degree in Business Administration from Auburn University while at Maxwell.

Lieutenant Commander WALKER is a native of San Diego, California, but was raised in Kerrville, Texas. He is married to the former Elaine K. Pichler of Newburgh, New York. The WALKER's have two daughters, Kathryn and Audrey, and one son, David. They currently reside in Bremerton, Washington.