

# Command Master Chief

Master Chief Bonilla enlisted in the U. S. Navy in July 1983. After completion of Recruit Training and Machinist Mate Class 'A' School in Great Lakes, Illinois, he reported to Nuclear Field Power School in Orlando, Florida. After completion of training at Nuclear Power Training Unit in Ballston Spa, New York, in April 1985, he reported to the USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) serving as a plank owner and Leading Petty Officer for #1 propulsion plant.

In June 1990, he reported to the USS Enterprise (CVN 65) serving as Leading Petty Officer for #1 propulsion plant during a complex refueling overall where he qualified Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist and promoted to Chief Petty Officer. In October 1992, he reported to Navy Nuclear Power Training Command as the Senior Instructor for the Basic Machinery Division and Senior Machinist Mate Section Advisor for the Machinist Mate Department. During this tour, he qualified Master Training Specialist, completed his Associates Degree and was promoted to Senior Chief Petty Officer.

In January 1996, Master Chief Bonilla reported to the Senior Enlisted Academy in Newport, RI, where he received extensive training on various leadership, managerial and administrative procedures. In February 1996, he reported directly to the USS Nimitz (CVN 68) in the Western Pacific. He served as the Reactor Mechanical Leading Chief Petty Officer and managing over 80 personnel in his division. During this tour, he was promoted to Master Chief Petty Officer.

In October 1998, Master Chief Bonilla reported as the Force Nuclear Propulsion Mechanical Assistant on the Nuclear Propulsion Mobile Training Team at Commander, Naval Air Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet. In April 1999, he was assigned duties as the Staff Command Master Chief at Commander, Naval Air Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet while still performing his primary duty as Force Nuclear Propulsion Mechanical Assistant. In September 1999, Master Chief Bonilla was selected for the Navy's Command Master Chief program.

From September 2000, until January 2003, Master Chief Bonilla served as the Command Master Chief of the Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit in Charleston, South Carolina. He now serves as the Command Master Chief of the warship USS Antietam (CG54).

Master Chief Bonilla's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (two awards), the Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Battle Efficiency 'E', Good Conduct Medal (five awards), National Defense Service Medal (two awards), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (two awards), Rifle Marksman ribbon and the Pistol Expert Medal.



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