

USS PRINCETON (CG-59)

Command Master Chief AVCM (SW/AW) Joe W. Wright



Master Chief Wright graduated from South High School in Bakersfield, California in 1972. He entered the Navy in June 1975 and attended basic training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Florida.

After Recruit Training, Master Chief Wright was assigned to VA 42 in Oceana, Virginia as a non-designated airman. During his tour he completed all requirements for designation as an Aviation Electronics Technician, and was sent to "A" school. Subsequent sea tours included assignments to VRC 40, as a Naval Aircrewman in the C-1A aircraft, USS SAIPAN (LHA 2) as a calibration technician, VS 29 as the Quality Assurance/Maintenance Control Chief, and USS KITTY

HAWK (CV 63) as the Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department LCPO and temporary Command Master Chief. Master Chief Wright deployed three times to the Arabian Gulf onboard USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70), USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72), and USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63).

Duties ashore included an overseas assignment to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico as a calibration technician, Recruit Training Center in San Diego, California as a Recruit Company Commander, and Commander Naval Air Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet, as the Aviation Maintenance Training Requirements and Resources Manager.

Master Chief Wright's awards include the Meritorious Service

Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (with gold star), Navy Achievement Medal, (with three gold stars) and various campaign and unit awards.

Master Chief Wright is married to the former Cynthia Stoutamyer of Oakland, California. They have a daughter, Kelly, and a son, Matt.

