

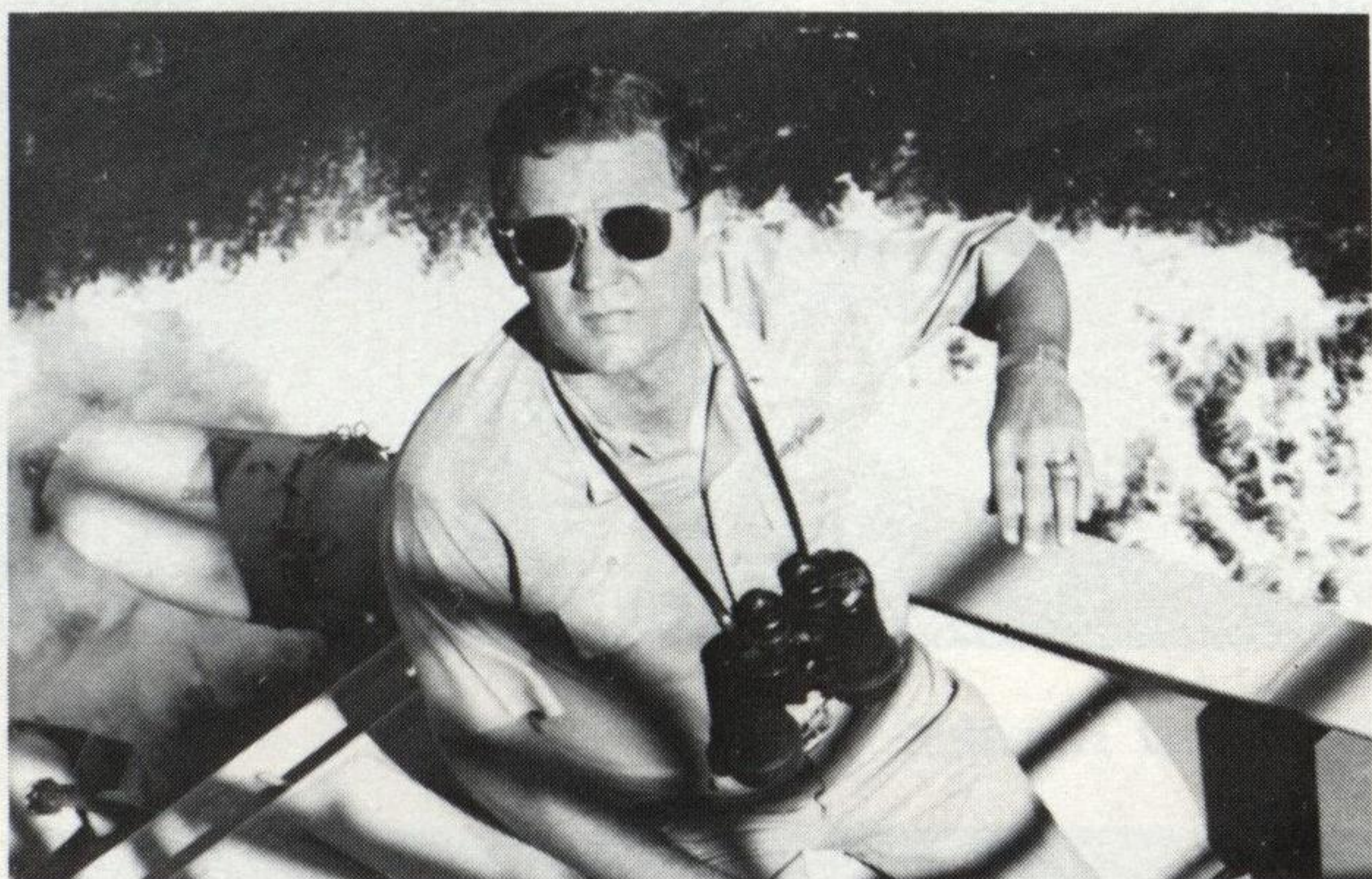
Commanding Officer

Commander Raymond P. Conrad

Commander Raymond P. Conrad was born in Oakland, California, and was raised in Fresno, California, which is still his hometown. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in June 1968. Upon commissioning, he was assigned to the USS OZBOURN (DD-846) as First Lieutenant and later as Combat Information Center (CIC) Officer. After completion of Destroyer School in Newport, Rhode Island in 1970, Commander Conrad was assigned as Operations Officer in the commissioning crew of USS BADGER (DE-1071). His tour aboard BADGER included the ship's initial Western Pacific deployment, completed in November 1972. From December 1972 to January 1975, Commander Conrad served as Personal Aide and Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, Plans and Policy Division, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Belgium. Following a brief refresher course in German at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California, Commander Conrad attended the German Command and General Staff College in Hamburg, German Federal Republic, graduating in June 1977. From October 1977 to May 1978, he served as Prospective Executive Officer of the Precommissioning Unit of the USS BRISCOE (DD-977). As the commissioning Executive Officer, he served aboard BRISCOE from June 1978 to December 1979. Included in this tour were over two months as Acting Commanding Officer. From January 1980 to December 1983, Commander Conrad served as Head of the NATO Section, Strategic Concepts Branch, Strategy, Plans and Policy Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

Commander Conrad's personal awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, three Navy Commendation Medals with combat distinguishing devices, and the Combat Action Ribbon. He holds a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from Boston University.

Commander Conrad resides in Huntington Beach, California, with his wife Susan and son, Frank. His daughter, Susan, is a student at San Diego State University.



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