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CAPTAIN RAYMOND E. WARD, USN

Captain Ward was born in China, Maine and entered the naval service in December of 1942 while a student at Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts. As a member of the V-1/V-12 program, he was called to active duty and assigned to Tufts University, graduating from that school in June 1945 with a bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. He was commissioned in November 1945 at the Columbia University Midshipman School.

Captain Ward has served aboard the aircraft carrier *USS VALLEY FORGE*, the supply ship *USS MERCURY*, the heavy cruiser *USS SALEM* and the destroyer *USS MURRAY*. His commands include *USS ROBERTS (DD-832)*, *USS ROAN (DD-853)*, *USS BRYCE CANYON (AD-36)* and Destroyer Squadron *ELEVEN*.

During 1962-1963, Captain Ward attended the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. In September of 1963 he received a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from George Washington University. Captain Ward was assigned to the Joint Staff, CINCPAC as Southeast Asia Communications Requirement Officer and received the Joint Service Commendation medal for his service there.

Other assignments included a tour as Officer in Charge of what was then the Naval Radio Facility, Londonderry, Northern Ireland followed eight years later by a tour as Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Communications Station, Londonderry. On the second tour, he received the Legion of Merit. As a member of the staff, Commander, Service Force Atlantic Fleet, he served as Officer in Charge of the Electronics Service Group. He attended the first six month course at the Naval Radar Training School in St. Simonds, Ga. and the one year Officers Electronics Course.

Captain Ward is married to Patricia Kearne of London. The Wards have three children, Susan, Patricia Anne, and Michael.