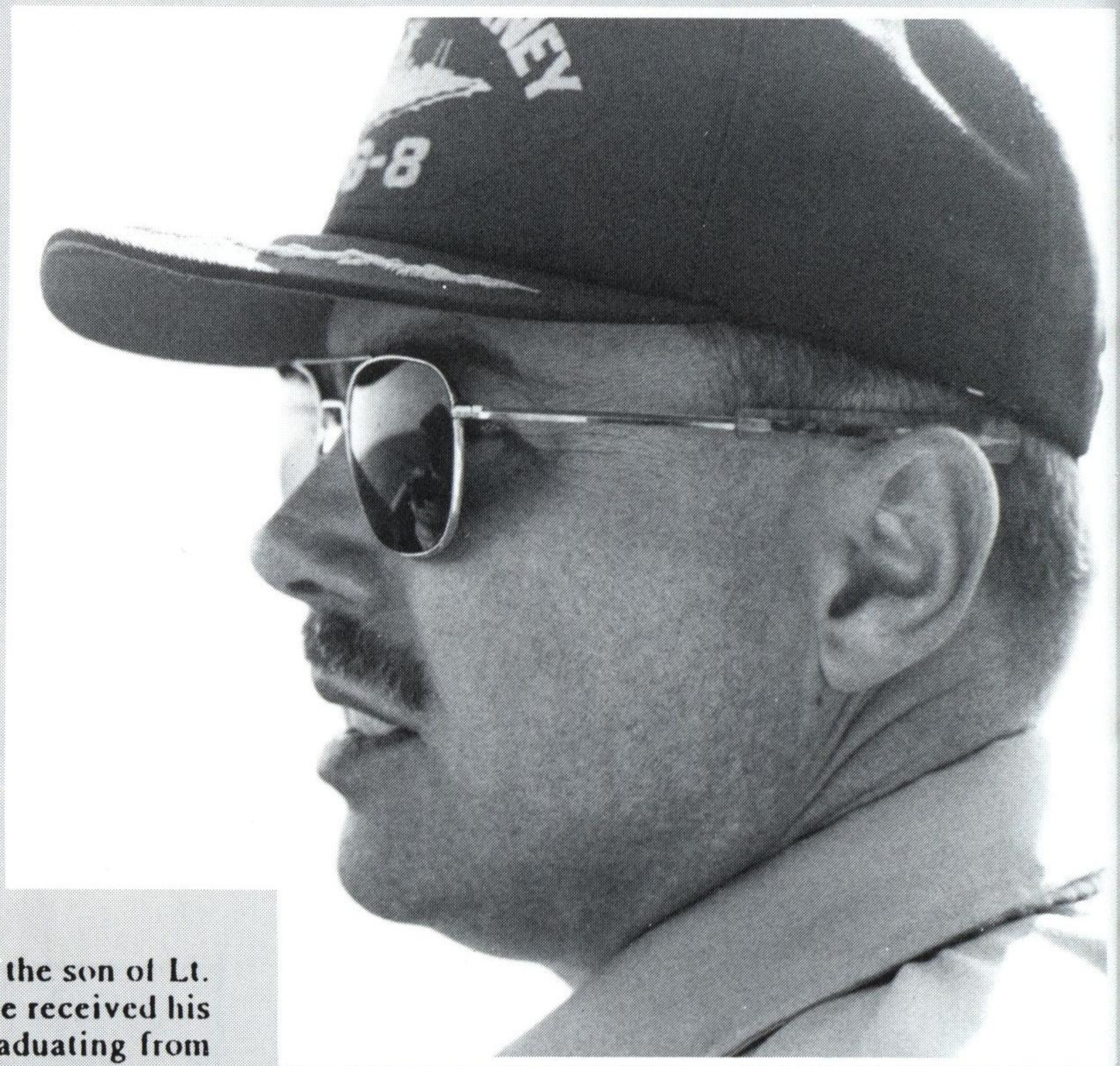




COMMANDER ROBERT D. JENKINS III



Commander Jenkins was born 11 September 1950 and is the son of Lt. Col and Mrs. Robert D. Jenkins, Jr. of Mobile, Alabama. He received his commission from officer candidate school in 1974 after graduating from the University of South Alabama where he received a Bachelor of Science degree. CDR Jenkins then attended Fleet Sonar school, Key West Florida with follow-on assignment to the U.S. Naval Facility Grand Turk British West Indies. In 1975, CDR Jenkins attended the Naval School of Diving and Salvage, Washington, DC and was assigned to USS Preserver (ARS-8) as CIC Officer, Assistant Diving Officer and Supply Officer. In 1978, he reported to USS Josephus Daniels (CG-27) as Communications Officer. CDR Jenkins graduated from the Surface Warfare Department Head Course in 1980 and reported to USS Downes (FF-1070) as Operations Officer with a follow-on assignment in 1982 aboard USS Schenectady (LST-1185) as First Lieutenant/Weapons Officer. In 1984, CDR Jenkins reported to the Naval Postgraduate school, and in 1985 received his Masters of Arts degree in National Security Affairs with emphasis in Naval Technical Intelligence. CDR Jenkins then reported to USS Reasoner (FF-1063) as Executive Officer.

CDR Jenkins' shore duty assignments include: Staff/Faculty at the U.S. Naval Academy (1987-89) where he served as head of the leadership section within the Division of Professional Development. Most recently, CDR Jenkins served as the Deputy Chief, Naval Systems Branch Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC. CDR Jenkins is a distinguished graduate of both the Naval War College Command and Staff School and the Armed Forces Staff College.

Among his decorations, CDR Jenkins wears the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Services Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (2 gold stars in lieu of second and third award), Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation plus several campaign and service medals. Additionally, he is authorized to wear the Navy Diving Officer and Small Craft Officer in Charge insignia.

Commander Jenkins is married to the former Ashlie Counts of San Diego, California and they have two children a son, Robert IV, and a daughter, Skyler.

The Captain in a pensive mood.



Chef Jenkins and
the Thanksgiving
Turkey

