15. Captain Craig G. Honour, USN 5/31/1991 –1/22/1993



Captain Craig G. Honour attended school at Forrest HS in Jacksonville, Florida. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics at the U.S. Naval Academy where he earned varsity letters in football, played varsity tennis and squash and won the Brigade Intramural Sailing competition twice.

Capt. Honour flew 154 combat missions with the F-4 Phantom II in Vietnam from aboard USS SARATOGA (CV-60) based out of Mayport, FL. Capt. Honour later served in VF-114, VF-124, VX4 and TOPGUN flying 25 different types of aircraft, including the F-14, F-4, S-2, C-1, TA-4 and the Mig-17. He attended graduate school and earned a Master of Science degree in Computer Science.

He was Commanding Officer of Fighter Squadron 51 aboard USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70) around world cruise and Operations Officer aboard USS RANGER (CV-61) in the Pacific and Indian Oceans during cold war. He certified as a Navy Command and Control specialist, attended Naval War College and was Special Assistant to Supreme Allied Commander Europe during the fall of the Berlin Wall.

As Captain of the deep draft USS Seattle, he provided ammunition, fuel, fresh fruits and vegetables and parts logistics support to carrier battle groups and counter-narcotic task forces. He was Fleet Operations and Plans Officer at SEVENTH Fleet where he directed all Naval and Marine forces in the Western Pacific and coordinated naval operations with Korean and Japanese naval forces.

Capt. Honour was Commanding Officer and Professor of Naval Science at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia where he taught Ethics, Management and Leadership.

Upon military retirement Capt. Honour became a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer and directed technology improvements for PEC Solutions, Chief Information Officer (CIO) for Duval County Public Schools, CIO for Atlantic Marine Shipyards and Director for BAE Systems. He also served as President of his Homeowners association in Virginia and President of Jacksonville Golf and Country Club.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (second gold star), Meritorious Service Medal, two individual Air Medals for heroism, eleven strike/flight Air Medals, the Navy Commendation Medal with combat "V" (6 awards), the Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnamese Gallantry Cross, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Expert Pistol and Expert Rifle Medal. Additional awards include the Joint Unit Service Citation, Navy Unit Citation, Meritorious Unit Citation, Navy Battle "E" Ribbon, Sea Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon and commemorative medals for Combat Service, Vietnam Service, Cold War Victory, Overseas Service, United States Navy Service and United States Armed Forces Retired Service.

In recognition of heroic service to country, the National Society Daughter's of the American Revolution awarded Capt. Honour the NSDAR "Medal Of Honor."

Capt. Honour married his high school sweetheart and has two sons and three grandchildren.

Capt. Honour was guest speaker at USSSVA's fourth reunion in New Orleans, September 2012.