

John A. Strand, Jr.
Pensacola Pre-Flight Class 12-48

Name John A. Strand, Jr. Pre Flight Class 12-48
College Marquette, Iowa + USNPGS Degree/s BS Physics, BS Aero Eng., MS Mgmt
Date Received Wings 4/1/50 USN USNR
First Squadron VF-13 NAS SAX Type Aircraft: F4U-5
Deployed to Med + Westpac Number of deployments 3
Combat Tours: Korea 1; Viet Nam 1 (Cruises/Months)
Active Duty until 7/31/74 Number of Years 24 Active, Inactive
Highest Rank Held CAPT Total Flight Hours ~7000 Number CV Landings 250+
Types of Planes Flown F4U-45, F4F-2, F2H-2, F-86F, F8U-1,
(Include Any Unique Aircraft?)
Are You a Member of: ANA , Tailhook , Naval Aviation Museum

Flew with VF-13 3 mos then ordered to VF-22 Oceana - 40 yrs!
Served on separate tours with VF-22 (@ Oceana, SAX & Cecil Fld)
Fly 'interrupted' by education (3 times) leading to 3 degrees. Last
cruise with CAG-21 staff as senior LSO & flying with VF-211.
Was transferred to VF-211 after that cruise as Ops Officer &
acting XO but tour was ended by being medically grounded
for abnormal EKG. Then became LSO (AESA) & served as
Aero Eng Ident @ 'OAR' Norfolk followed by tours at BuNeps
(Power Plants Div.), AFM (JSTL) staff as Director Aviation
Maintenance & finally NAVOL Air Systems Command, R&T
Group, Head Plans & Programs Div. Retired 'early' (28 yrs)
due to cardiovascular problems & moved to SAX FL.
In retirement have own tax consulting business since
1977 ('One of two sure things in life') wife 'Ginny'
will be with me @ banquet Sat. night.

John