

BIOGRAPHY OF RAYMOND N. WINKEL
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Raymond Winkel was born in Flint, and reared in Muskegon, Michigan. He enlisted in the Navy in March 1947 as an Airman Recruit. Within a year after completing Aviation Electronic School in Memphis, Tennessee, he was promoted to Petty Officer Third Class.

In March 1949, following a tour in Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron SEVEN at San Diego, California, as a radar technician, he entered flight training as a Naval Aviation Cadet at Pensacola, Florida. He was commissioned as Ensign and designated a Naval Aviator at Corpus Christi, Texas in September 1951.

The following month, Ensign Winkel was ordered to Patrol Squadron TWENTY-EIGHT in Hawaii, where he served as Assistant Armament Officer and flew as a junior officer in the P4Y2 Privateer Anti-Submarine Aircraft. During this tour, the squadron was deployed to the Western Pacific, as a part of the 7th Fleet, in support of the United Nations action in Korea. He was awarded the Air Medal for combat flights in this action.

In January 1953, Lieutenant (Junior Grade) Winkel was assigned to Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron ONE ONE SEVEN as Electronics and Advanced Underseas Weapons Officer, remaining in Hawaii. During this tour, he directed the Pacific Fleet evaluation of the Mark 43 air-launched, anti-submarine torpedo.

In 1954 he was transferred to the Advanced Flight Training Command at the Naval Air Station in Hutchinson, Kansas for duty as a Flight Instructor and Assistant Avionics Officer.

After completing the Navy School of the General Line at the Naval Post Graduate School at Monterey, California in October 1957, Lieutenant Winkel was assigned as Air Operations Officer in the Seaplane Tender, USS Salisbury Sound (AV-13), deploying to the Far East.

Upon completion of this shipboard tour in March 1960, Lieutenant Winkel returned to Hawaii for duty in Patrol Squadron TWENTY TWO. Responsibilities in this squadron included Flight Training Officer and Patrol Plane Commander in the P2 Neptune Anti-Submarine Aircraft. This squadron also deployed to the Western Pacific.

In June 1962, he returned to the Naval Post Graduate School at Monterey, California to earn his Bachelor of Science Degree.

Lieutenant Commander Winkel was ordered to the Naval Air Development Center at Warminster, Pennsylvania in 1964 as the Manager of an Engineering Development Project for a new Airborne Anti-Submarine Warfare Radar, Project Test Pilot, and Director of the Aero Electronic Technology Department. While on duty at the Development Center, he earned his Master of Science Degree at Villanova University, and was selected to the Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer Community.

Commander Winkel's next assignment as engineering officer was on the Staff of Commander Fleet Air Wings, U. S. Atlantic Fleet at Norfolk, Virginia, responsible for the maintenance of 200, P2 Neptune and P3 Orion, aircraft in the Atlantic Fleet.

During the spring of 1969, he was ordered to Command at the Naval Electronics Systems Test and Evaluation Facility at St. Inigoes, Maryland. The mission of this facility is to test Navy procured electronic equipment to assure the manufacturer was producing to specification. This assignment was completed in August 1971 when he was ordered to the Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters for duty.

In August 1973, Captain Winkel completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University under Navy sponsorship.

Captain Winkel remains on duty at the Headquarters of the Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters in Washington, DC. He has completed assignments within the Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters as AED/AMD/Aviation WO/LDO Management Officer and BUPERS AED/AMD Detailer, Director of the Avionics Division, involving management of the design, specification and procurement of electronic equipment used in all the Navy's aircraft and as Project Manager of the Navy/Marine Corps Heavy-Lift Helicopter Project (the CH-53E Superstallion); the largest, most powerful helicopter in the free world. Captain Winkel was designated as the Project Manager of the Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System (LAMPS) Project on 16 November 1978. The purpose of this project is to develop an integrated ship/helicopter system optimized for anti-submarine warfare with the secondary mission of anti-ship surveillance and targeting.

In addition to the Air Medal, Captain Winkel has been awarded the Legion of Merit, the Presidential Meritorious Service Medal, the Secretary of the Navy Commendation Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal (with the bronze star), the China Service Medal, and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon.

On 8 February 1979, the President approved the selection board's recommendation that Captain Winkel be promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral.

Captain Winkel is married to the former Ellen Stefula of Muskegon Heights, Michigan. They have a son, Raymond, age 22; and two daughters, Ann, age 21; and Maryellen, age 14. The family currently resides in the metropolitan Washington DC area at 1821 Horseback Trail, Vienna, Virginia.

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