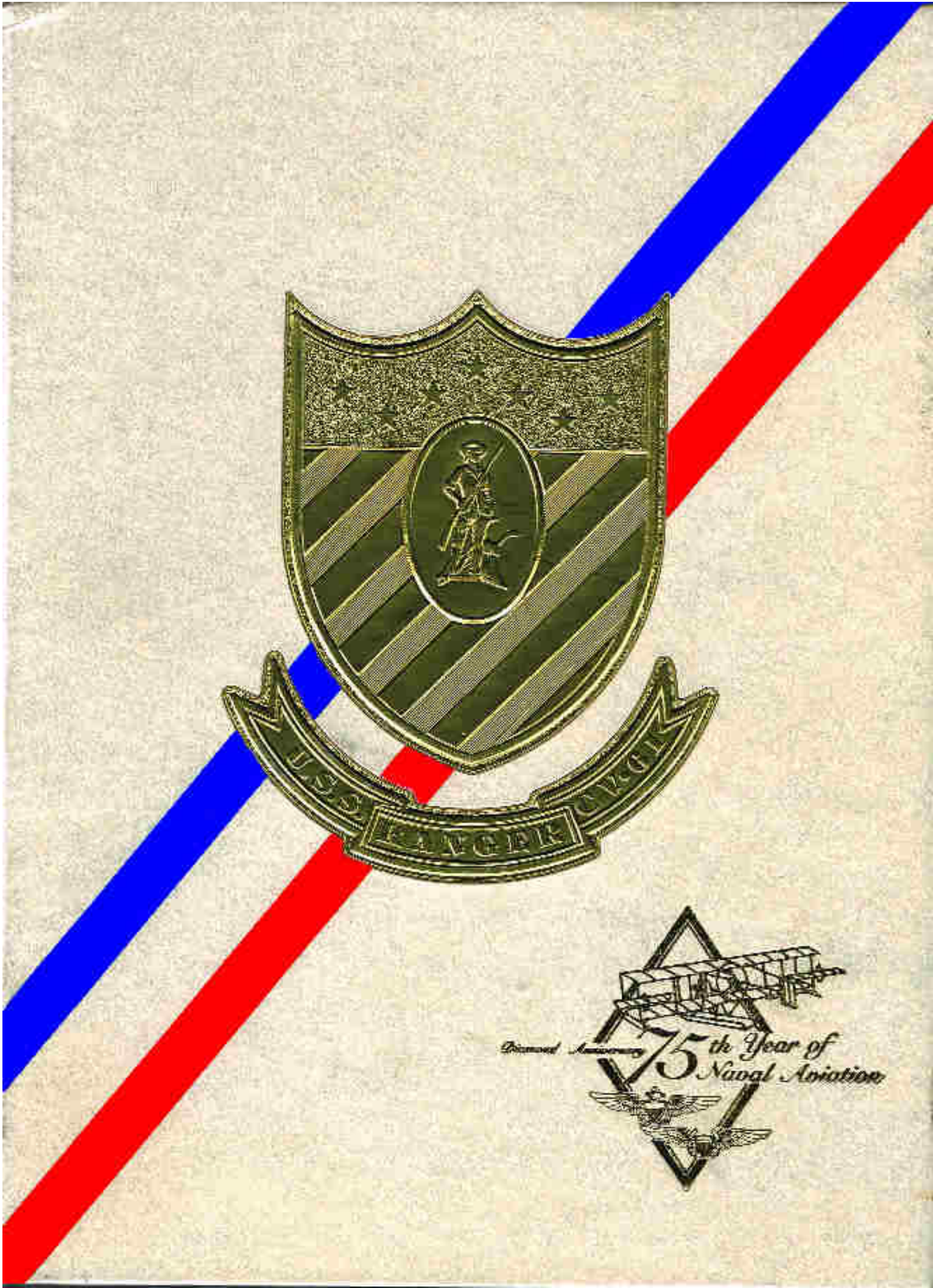
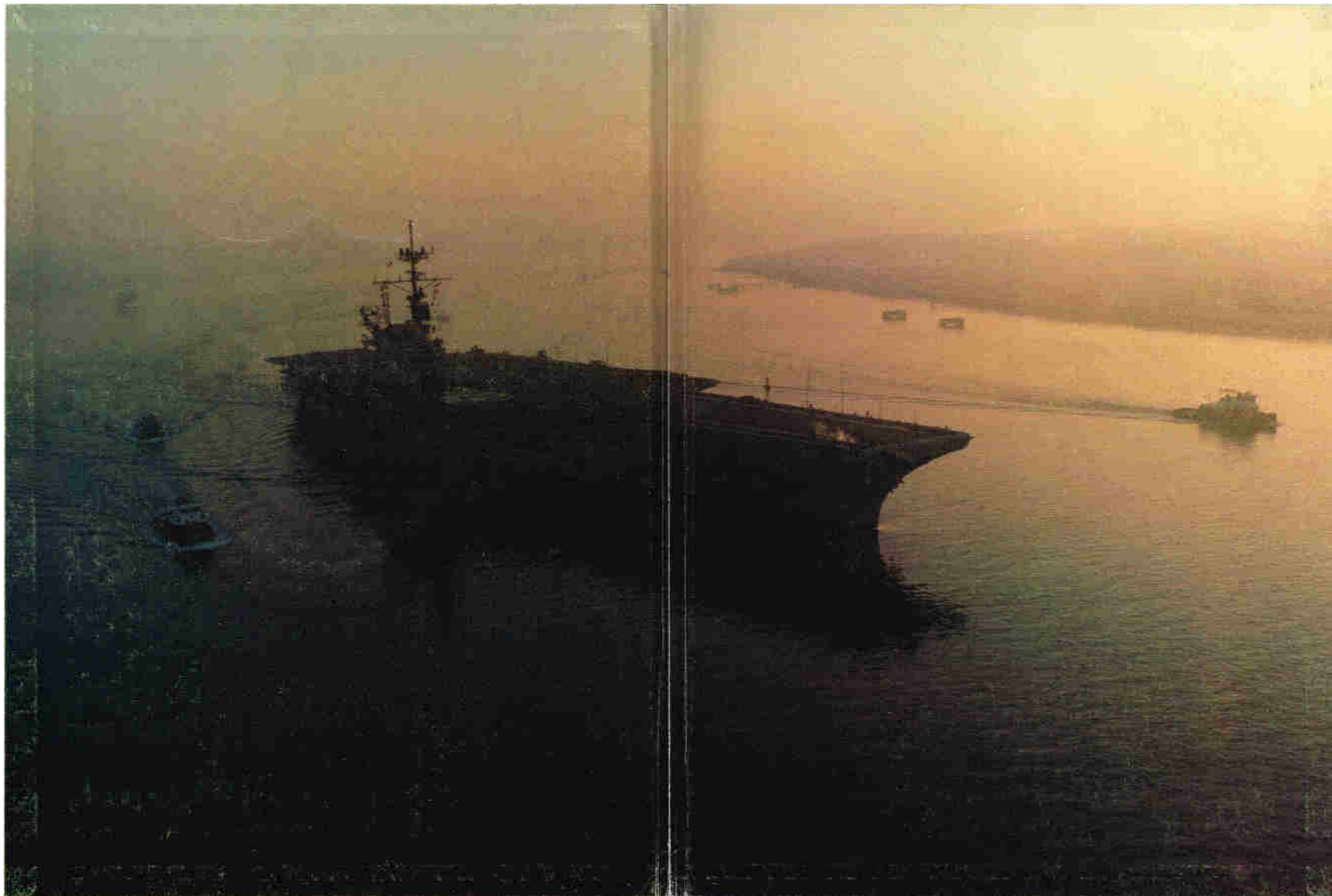


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## COMMANDING OFFICER

### Captain Walter J. Davis Jr.

Captain Walter J. Davis Jr., a native of Winston-Salem, N.C., received his commission in 1966 through the ROTC program at Ohio State University. There, he was awarded a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering Degree. He was designated a Naval Aviator after completing flight training in December 1966.

Captain Davis first took off duty with VF-123 flying the F-4H Phantom II with VF-143.

In June 1964, he reported to the Naval Postgraduate School where he was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Engineering and a Master of Science in Aeronautical Electronics. He then reported to VF-143 in 1967, and served two combat tours in Vietnam. In 1970, Captain Davis attended the Naval Test Pilot School at Pensacola, Fla., and he was subsequently posted to the Weapons Test Division at the Test Pilot. In July 1972, he attended the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. In October 1974, he reported to VF-143 as Executive Officer and in February 1976 became the squadron's Commanding Officer, flying the F-14B Tomcat.

In June 1977, Captain Davis reported to Naval Air Station, Quantico in Washington, D.C., as the Army Program Manager of the F-14 (Class Desk). He then reported as Executive Officer in USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63) which deployed to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans during the Iranian Crisis of 1979.

Captain Davis assumed command of the USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1) in December 1981. USS SACRAMENTO deployed with and supported the USS HALEY (DD-901) Battle Group during WESTPAC, NORPAC FLEXOPS, and FLEETEX-83 exercises.

In October 1983, Captain Davis reported as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, D.C. In August 1985, he attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, graduating June 1985. Captain Davis assumed command of USS BARGER (CV-43) on July 2, 1985.

Captain Davis has accumulated over 1,000 flight hours and over 400 carrier landings. He has been awarded the following decorations: Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (20 awards), Navy Commendation Medal with Citation (20), Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy "E" Ribbon, Navy Expeditionary Medal with three Bureau Stars, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with three Bureau Stars, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (two awards), Vietnamese Courtesy Cross with Bronze Star, Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Captain Davis is married to the Deputy Counselor, State of Pinellas, Florida. They have two daughters, Sharon and Kimberly.



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### Cdr. Barton C. Gohmann

An MBA graduate of the University of Louisville, Commander Gohmann was commissioned in 1966. Subsequently assigned to the Naval Aviator School Command, he was designated a Naval Aviator in October 1967. Following a brief tour as a Naval Aviator with the "Mongoose" team, he was assigned to VAW-121 at NAS Norfolk, Va. During the 2-10 months of deployment to the Mediterranean and North Atlantic areas, in 1970, he was assigned as a student at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif., and completed a dual Master's Degree Program in Financial Management and Personnel Management.

From 1972 through 1975, he served as an Associate Professor at the United States Naval Academy, and upon completion of his tour was designated a process specialist in Financial Management. He reported to the Naval War College in 1975 as a student in the Command and Staff Course. Upon graduation in 1976, he reported to VAW-121 for transition to the E-2B aircraft. He was then assigned to VAW-124, where he served as Maintenance Officer on deployment aboard the USS AMERICA. In 1979, Commander Gohmann reported to Commander, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Wing TWENTY as Chief of Staff/ODR, which he served until reporting to VAW-121 as Executive Officer in October 1980. Commander Gohmann served as Commanding Officer of VAW-122 from January 1982 through June 1983. He next served aboard the USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) as Air Operations Officer until April 1984. From May 1984 to May 1985, he commanded the West Coast F-22 Fleet Replacement Squadron, USS HIB, at NAS Miramar, Calif.

Commander Gohmann has accumulated over 2,000 flight hours and 300 carrier landings. His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with Gold Star, Navy Commendation Medal, Battle "E" Ribbon (three awards), Navy Expeditionary Medal (two awards), National Defense Service Medal, and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon. Commander Gohmann is married to the former Carolyn K. Sotoca of Virginia Beach, Va.



## Command Master Chief Petty Officer

Aircraft Master Chief **PAUL W. BAKER**, Command Master Chief, is a native of Newport, N.Y., and enlisted in the Navy July 1955.

In August 1955 he reported for recruit training in Bainbridge, Maryland, and was subsequently assigned to Algonquin Prep school at Norman, Okla. In 1957, he reported to Newton Educational Main School at Jacksonville, Florida. He was a graduate of ASW School and transferred to USS **KENNETH WHITING** (AV-14).

During a Western Pacific deployment in 1957, he served as the technical officer for RAIM Group at Okinawa, Japan. In 1958, he reported to VA-152 where he reported aboard USS **HAWTHORNE** (CVA-29) as an A-1 aircraft maintenance man. In 1960, he transferred to VF-301 and trained as a systems electrician on the F-4H Phantom and F-4U aircraft. In 1963, he reported to VF-31 and deployed to the Mediterranean on the USS **SARASOTA** (CVA-60). In 1964, he attended AFIT school at Jacksonville, Florida, and transferred to VF-307, where he reported to Vietnam with the F-4 Phantom on board USS **ORISKANY** (CVA-34).

In 1967, he transferred to NAS Miramar, Calif., and reported to the Aircraft Maintenance Department where he was promoted to 1st Petty Officer. In 1971, he transferred to VF-214, where the Vietnam Deployment on board USS **KITTY HAWK** (CV-63), was promoted to Senior Chief Petty Officer and received the Navy Communication Medal and Navy Achievement Medal.

In 1974, he reported to NAS Miramar, California, as a Senior Electrician, Miramar, Calif., as an instructor and was promoted to Master Chief Petty Officer. In 1977, he reported to USS **KITTY HAWK** (CV-63) and was promoted Command Master Chief in 1979. In 1980, he reported to VF-120 as Command Master Chief and was designated an Aviation Warfare Specialist.

In September 1985, Captain Walter J. Davis Jr., selected VADM Baker as Command Master Chief of USS **RASTER** (CV-61). VADM Baker has 30 years of active duty and his decorations include the Navy Communication Medal (with two gold stars), Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Communication Medal (with two gold stars), Navy Good Conduct Medal (with two gold stars), Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (four awards), Sea Service Deployment Medal (three awards), Vietnam Gallantry Cross (with Palm) and Vietnam Campaign Medal.

VADM Baker is married to the former Elaine Johnson of Brooklyn, N.Y. They have two sons, Matthew and Michael, and two daughters, Laura and Brett.



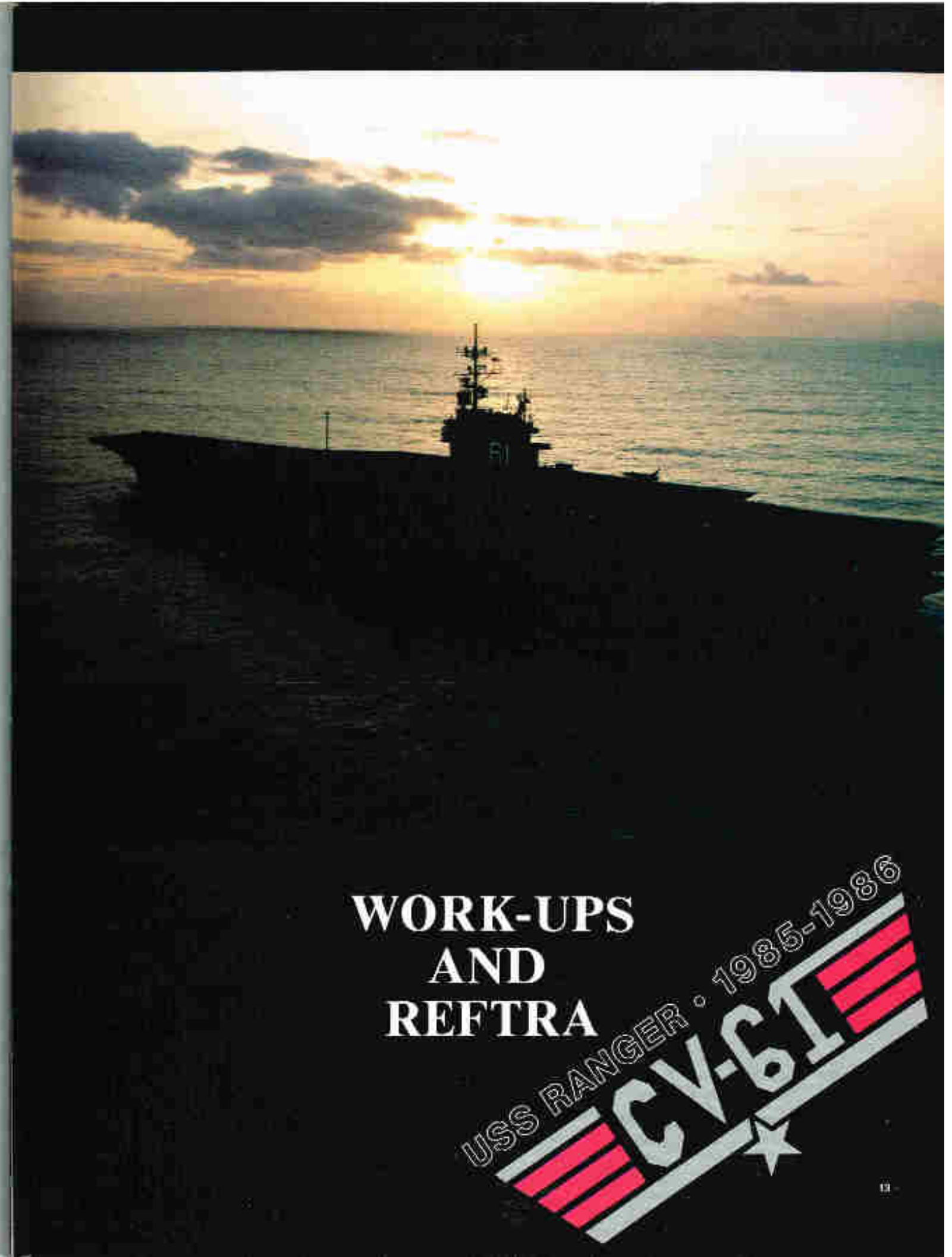
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Commissioning	August 10, 1957	Rudders	Two, 45-ton apiece
Birthplace	Newport News, Va.		Each 490 square feet
Nickname	"Top Gun of the Pacific Fleet"	Miles of Piping	180
Aircraft Complement	80-90	Miles of Electrical Cable	290
Speed	Over 25 knots	Boilers	8
Overall Length	1,071 feet	Horsepower	Over 280,000
Width of Main Deck	129 feet	Elevators	4
Flight deck	271 feet wide	Catapults	4
	143,000 square feet	Propellers	Four, each 21 feet
Draft	36 feet	Anchor Chain Links	1,128
Depth at Centerline	97 feet		360 lbs. apiece
Average Displacement	About 81,000 tons		



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