



Rear Admiral Paul Dudley

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Admiral Dudley graduated from the Naval Academy in 1926. Four years later, after having served aboard two destroyers, he completed flight training and was awarded his Navy Wings. He subsequently advanced to the rank of Rear Admiral, to date from July 1, 1954.

A native of Oklahoma, Admiral Dudley is intimately familiar with the Mediterranean and Middle Eastern area, having served as Commanding Officer, NAS Port Lyautey; as Commander Fleet Air Detachments, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean (1946-1948); and as Commander Middle East Forces (1955). In addition to extensive sea duty in both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, he has also served as Assistant Chief of Staff for Plans to Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, and as Assistant Director of Strategic Plans in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

While assigned to the escort carrier ALTAMAHA (1942-1943), operating in the South Pacific and Indian Oceans, Admiral Dudley was awarded the Commendation Ribbon for his "untiring effort . . . (and) his exercise of profound judgment and energy . . . under particularly difficult circumstances . . ." He also holds the French Moroccan decoration, Order of Ouissam Alaouite Cherifien (Commander).