



Commanding Officer CDR Donald L. Abbey

Commander Donald L. Abbey, born in Modesto, California, attended the U.S. Naval Academy. Upon commissioning as Ensign in 1963, he was ordered to *USS RICHARD B. ANDERSON (DD-786)* where he served as DASH Officer, Gunnery Assistant and Weapons Officer.

Following a tour as a student at NPS Monterey, Commander Abbey was assigned to duty with COMNAVFOR Staff in South Vietnam. He subsequently returned to sea as Weapons Officer on *USS BUCHANAN (DDG-14)*. After another tour ashore, he served as Executive Officer, *USS SCHOFIELD (FFG-3)*. He assumed command of *USS TURNER JOY (DD-951)* on 16 June 1981, following a tour on the OPNAV Staff.

Commander Abbey, his wife Barbara and daughter Kristen reside in San Diego, California.

