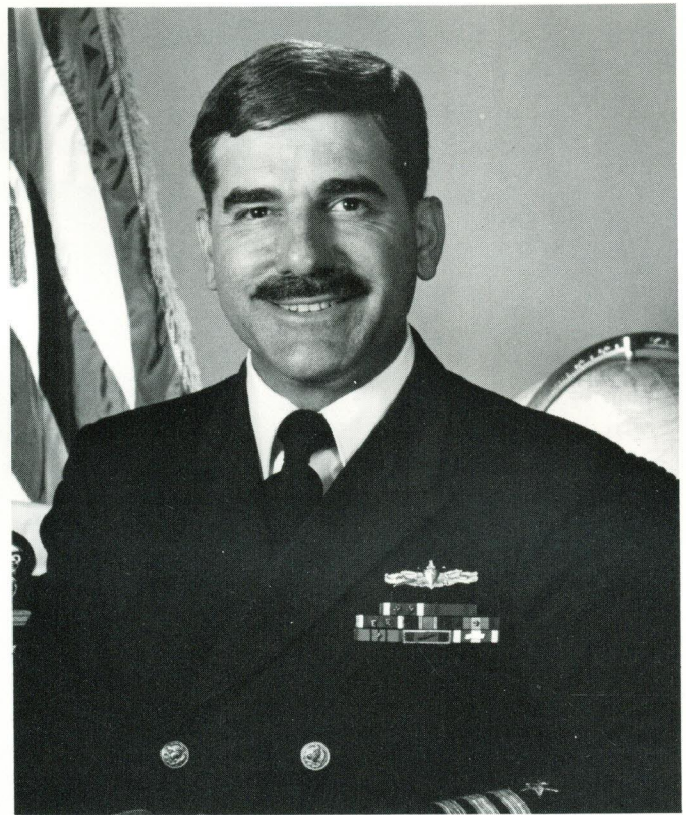


Commanding Officer

Commander Arthur B. Carden
United States Navy



Commander Arthur B. Carden, USN, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orlean R. Carden, was born on January 3, 1944 in Tampa, Florida. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1967 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and entered Officer Candidate School where he received his commission on November 1967.

Commander Carden's first at sea tour of duty was USS TIOGA COUNTY (LST-1158) as Combat Information Center Officer, Communications Officer, and eventually Operations Officer. During this period, TIOGA COUNTY served in the Vietnam War in support of Riverine Forces and in logistical support of ground forces. In October 1970 Commander Carden was assigned to the Naval Destroyer School. Upon graduation, he served for two years as Engineering Officer of the USS W.S. SIMS (FF-1059). His next tour of duty was the Special Project Group in the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, DC and then the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OP-095) with the Advanced Research Projects Office.

In June 1975 Commander Carden was ordered to the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island, where he was a Distinguished Graduate in July 1976. From July 1976 until August 1977, Commander Carden served as the Officer-in-Charge of the Technical Assistance Field Team at Korramshahr, Iran, as a member of the Military Assistance Advisory Group. From February 1978 until December 1979, Commander Carden served as Executive Officer, USS CAPODANNO (FF-1093). A tour of duty as Chief Staff Officer, Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-TWO followed from January 1980 until October 1981 followed by Senior Officer Material Management Course at Idaho Falls, Idaho, from November 1981 until March 1982. Following Prospective Surface Commanding Officer training, he assumed duties at Destroyer Squadron TWO as the Director of the SURFLANT Combined Inport Tractical Training (CINTEX) Program. Commander Carden reported to the USS AINSWORTH from duties as Executive Officer, Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia.

Commander Carden's awards and service medals include: four awards of the Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, National Defense Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal, Vietnamese Campaign Medal, and the RVN Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Commander Carden and his wife, the former Pauline Ruth McDowell of Ft. Pierce, Florida, were married September 26, 1970, and they reside with their two children, Caroline and David, in Virginia Beach, Virginia.