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COMMANDER TRAINING AIR WING FOUR

NAVAL AIR STATION CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

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COMMANDER TRAINING AIR WING FOUR NAVAL AIR STATION CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

CAPTAIN R. D. COLVIN

being relieved by

CAPTAIN M. H. ISAACKS





CAPTAIN ROBERT D. COLVIN

Captain Colvin, a native of Albany, California, entered the Navy in 1946 as an aviation recruit. After attending St. Mary's College, he entered flight training as an Aviation Midshipman and received his wings in April 1950.

Ordered to All Weather Night Attack Squadron THIRTY-FIVE, he made two deployments to Korea. In 1953, Captain Colvin reported to the Fleet All Weather Training Unit-Pacific at Barbers Point, Hawaii. In 1953, Captain Colvin reported to Chase Field as a flight instructor. After one year, he attended the University of Colorado in Boulder and earned his bachelor's degree in international relations. He next attended the General Line School in Monterey. During 1958 and 1959, Captain Colvin served in USS TICONDEROGA. Upon detachment, he reported to Air Anti-Submarine Squadron TWENTY-NINE and deployed to the Western Pacific aboard USS KEARSARGE.

In 1962, Captain Colvin served in the Pentagon under Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Strategic Plans and Policy as In 1963, the Anti-Submarine Warfare Wargames Officer. he attended Harvard University under the Navy's postgraduate program for International Affairs and received his master's Captain Colvin then served as Executive Officer of degree. VS-30 and as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of VS-21. During this tour, VS-21 was embarked in USS KEARSARGE for operations in the Western Pacific. Captain Colvin subsequently attended the Army War College in 1967-68; then served as Commander Anti-Submarine Air Group FIFTY-SIX embarked USS RANDOLPH participating in the "UNITAS" cruise to in South America in 1968.

Captain Colvin reported to the Office of the Chief of Nava] Operations in 1969 as the International Commands Officer; Head of the NATO, Atlantic, European and Middle East Task Group. In August 1973, he attended Harvard University as the Navy Fellow at the Center for International Affairs and was accepted on the staff of the Commission on Critical Choices for Americans.

Captain Colvin wears the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (V), Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation and campaign ribbons from Korea to Vietnam.

Captain Colvin's next assignment is Commander, Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Captain Colvin is married to the former Mary Allice Hall of Albany, California. They have seven children: Robin, Gregory, Hal, Mary Lisa, Mary Elizabeth, Scott and Mary Johanna.

Program Arrival of Chief of Naval Air Training Rear Admiral Burton H. SHEPHERD Honors Ruffles and Flourishes The National Anthem (((L))) Chief of Naval Air Training Band Invocation Captain ROBERTS, Chaptain Corps Captain COLVIN and Captain ISAACKS Trooping the Line Remarks • Rear Admiral SHEPHERD Remarks and Reading of Orders . Captain COLVIN Reading of Orders and Remarks . . . Captain ISAACKS Benediction · · · Captain ROBERTS, Chaplain Corps



CAPTAIN MARION H. ISAACKS

Captain M. H. Isaacks is presently Commanding Officer of the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi.

The Captain entered Naval service as a NAVCAD in 1951 and was commissioned in 1952. His initial assignment as an aviator was to VF-192 where he flew the F9F "Panther". After completing cruises to Korea and to the Sea of Japan aboard the USS ORISKANY, he was transferred to the Fleet Gunnery Unit, Pacific, located in El Centro, California, where he served as an air-to-air gunnery instructor. In 1956, he reported to ATU-223 (Advanced Training Unit) in Beeville, Texas, where he taught air-to-air and air-to-ground weapons delivery. While attached to ATU-223, Captain Isaacks was selected to represent the Advanced Training Command in the All Navy Air Weapons Meet at El Centro, California.

In 1959, upon completion of a pilot program for training Air Wing LSO's, he was detailed to Air Wing SEVEN as Wing LSO and served with that unit on board the USS INDEPENDENCE. Following tours with VF-84 as Maintenance Officer and VF-124 where he served as LSO and F-8 NATOPS Project Manager, Captain Isaacks reported to VF-24 as the Executive Officer and in 1968 he became the squadron's Commanding Officer. During this tour with the "Fighting Checkertails" he became a member of the elite fraternity of "Mig Killers", when on 21 July 1967 he downed a MIG 17 over North Vietnam.

Captain Isaacks was next assigned to the Strategic Plans and Policy Division of the Office of Chief of Naval Operations, where he served until 1972 when he was selected as the Commander of Attack Carrier Wing FIVE. His next assignment was with the Carrier Group ONE staff located in San Diego, California after which he assumed command of NAS Chase Field, Beeville, Texas.

Captain Isaacks has flown a variety of aircraft, including the F9F, TV-2, F8U, A-4, A-3, F3H, A4D, A-7, and F-4. He has been awarded the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and the Meritorious Service Medal.

He is married to the former Clara Lee Patterson of Corpus Christi, Texas. They have four children: Ronald, Elizabeth, Patrick and Kelly.

TRAINING AIR WING FOUR MISSION

Training Air Wing FOUR, one of six Training Air Wings in the Naval Air Training Command, was established on 31 March 1972. The four individual units that make up the Wing are Training Squadron TWENTY-SEVEN, in which student naval aviators receive primary flight training; Training Squadrons TWENTYadvanced training in multiengine aircraft for student naval aviators; and the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, which provides support services and facilities. Units in Training Air Wing FOUR have personnel allowances totaling over 300 officers, 1,700 enlisted personnel and 1,000 civilians.

The Commander of Training Air Wing FOUR is, by custom borrowed from the surface Navy, given the courtesy title of "Commodore," as are the other five Wing Commanders in the Naval Air Training Command. The Wing Commanders report directly to the Chief of Naval Air Training and are responsible for the supervision, coordination and administration of the squadrons and station under their command.

COMMODORES TRAINING AIR WING FOUR

Captain R. A. S	SAMPSON 31	MAR	72	-	16	AUG	72
Captain J. H. W	WYNN, III 16	AUG	72	-	22	AUG	75
Captain R. D. (COLVIN 22	AUG	75	-	22	JUN	77
Captain M. H. 1	ISAACKS 22	JUN	77	-			



A Navy Flyer's Creed

1 am a United States Navy flyer.

My countrymen built the best airplane in the world and entrusted it to me. They trained me to fly it. I will use it to the absolute limit of my power.

With my fellow pilots, air crews, and deck crews, my plane and I will do anything necessary to carry out our tremendous responsibilities. I will always remember we are part of an unbeatable combat team — the United States Navy.

When the going is fast and rough, I will not falter. I will be uncompromising in every blow I strike. I will be humble in victory.

I am a United States Navy flyer. I have dedicated myself to my country, with its many millions of all races, colors, and creeds. They and their way of life are worthy of my greatest protective effort.

I ask the help of God in making that effort great enough.